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FAMOUS CIRCUS

CLOSES AFTER 137 YEARS.

London, Yesterday.
Britain has lost one of its oldest entertainment institutions by the disbandment of Bostock and Wombwell's Royal Menagerie, which has perambulated the country since 1805. It gave its last professional appearance at Glasgow last night, after which its hundreds of wild animals and birds were entrained for the Zoological Society's new spacious animal park, Whipsnade, Bedfordshire.

THOSE ASTUTE SOVIETEERS.

Plan to Rid Russia of Wolves.

HUNTING PARTIES.

Moscow, January 8.
A new attraction to foreign tourists in Russia has been discovered by the Soviet Tourist Agency, In-turist, which has taken a cue from the "powers that be" in turning even adversity into account.
Invitations have been sent to a number of hunting clubs throughout Europe to come to Russia to shoot wolves which are again on the increase, causing much havoc throughout western Russia this winter.
The first group of big game hunters, chiefly Germans with a sprinkling of Americans and Britons, arrived in Moscow this morning, intent upon bagging scores of wolves whose pelts they will be allowed to take out of Russia without any custom formalities. The group will leave tomorrow for the Sakovsk district, accompanied by guides and equipped with everything needful to soften the strenuous out-door life in the Russian steppe.
A second group of big game hunters is expected here next week. They will be sent on to a different district paying, like the first group, heavily for the privilege of ridding Russia of one of her minor plagues.—Trans-ocean Kuomin.

Russia is building aerodromes at the rate of one a week. So far this year fifty new aerodromes have been completed. Over 100 radio stations have been built to transmit meteorological data.

SVEN HEDIN.

Returning to Mongolia.

EXCAVATION WORK.

Stockholm.
In spite of difficulties caused by the drop in Swedish exchange, it is learned that the famous explorer, Sven Hedin, has arranged to return to direct the work of his expedition in Mongolia and Turkestan and to occupy himself with the construction of two replicas of an ancient Chinese temple, one for Stockholm and one for Chicago.
Professor J. C. Anderson, the famous paleontologist well-known in China for his scientific work there and his writings, is also planning a journey to China.
After a short stop in China he intends to proceed to South America. Recent discoveries of relics there have given birth to the theory that in prehistoric times there was a means of communication between the Far East and America, and Dr. Anderson wishes to see the relics and test the theory.

OVERCAST.

The Royal Observatory's report issued to-day states:—
The anticyclone is central over the Yellow Sea, moving East.
Forecast:—N. E. winds, fresh; generally overcast.
Rainfall.
Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day—nil.
Total since January 1—nil against an average of 0.53 inch—deficit 0.53 inch.
Temperature.
The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 8 o'clock was:—
Hong Kong 60
Macao 58
Pratas Island 70
Manila 67
Amoy 59
Chefoo 38
Shanghai 36

BRITAIN AND SCANDINAVIA.

A Commercial Conference.

CURRENCY.

Copenhagen, January 8.
The opening of negotiations between Great Britain and the three Scandinavian countries, with a view to adjusting existing commercial arrangements to changed conditions is expected as a result of the conference of the Danish, Swedish and Norwegian foreign ministers, which opened here yesterday.
The currency problem will probably also be touched upon in the course of the negotiations, though, it is not stated, whether the three countries, whose currency was affected by the depreciation of the pound sterling, will make a joint attempt at stabilising their currencies before the pound sterling has attained a definite level.—Trans-ocean Kuomin.

RECORD ASSIZES

EIGHTEEN YEARS IN JAIL GOOD PRISONER

ANOTHER 3 YEARS.

Half a lifetime spent in jail is the unenviable record of Chan Wing, (38), who was the only accused person in the January Assizes, which opened and closed in the Supreme Court this morning, before the Prison Judge (Mr. Justice R. E. Liddell).
It was a record Assizes in that it was over in a quarter of an hour, thanks to Chan Wing pleading "guilty."
Chan Wing was charged on three counts as under:—
(1) housebreaking and larceny, on November 30 last, at Mongkok; (2) receiving stolen

GRIM DRAMA OF THE BUSH.

Mining Inspector Speared to Death.

BY ABORIGINES.

News of the murder of Herbert Watts, a mining inspector, at Hermit Hill, 150 miles west of Darwin, by marauding aborigines, has caused much indignation in Australia.
It took six weeks for the tragic news to be relayed to Sydney when it was found that Watts was alone in his tent when he was speared. He replied unavailingly with three shots from his revolver. Next day his body had disappeared. It is thought that it was dragged to a nearby lagoon, where alligators probably made an end of it.
Grim dramas enacted in the bush leave the city man cold in his defence of the maltreated person (Continued on Page 12.)

RAIL DISASTER

IN RUSSIA 68 KILLED.

ALLEGED ASSAULT Fracas in Stoke- hold of EMPRESS OF ASIA.

Moscow, Yesterday.
Details have just been divulged of a ghastly railway disaster, which occurred on January 2, when sixty-eight persons were killed and one hundred and thirty injured. The train was crowded with workers. At Kossino, near Moscow, a second packed train crashed into the rear of the train ahead and the locomotive of the second train dashed among the wreckage. Darkness increased rescuers' difficulty. Eleven persons have been arrested.—Reuter.

As a sequel to a fracas alleged to have taken place in the stokehold of the C.P.R. steamer Empress of Asia on December 20, two Chinese stokers, Sung Ping and Cheung Wan were charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning under the Merchant Shipping Act, with assaulting a certificated engineer, and with common assault.
The Empress of Asia left Vancouver on December 19, and the incident is alleged to have occurred the next night, when the ship was about 600 miles out of Victoria. Mr. F. E. Galloway, the 4th. engineer went on watch that evening, and, on going to the stokehold, saw one of the defendants, who was one of a party of eight coal trimmers, at work. The man was not doing the work properly, so the engineer instructed the third stoker, who was in charge, to remonstrate with the man. Defendant took no notice, and complainant shouted at him in English, whereupon the man seized a shovel and made to strike him. Complainant seized the shovel and ordered the man to go off duty. Defendant went and about ten minutes later, complainant saw him returning. Thinking he had repented and was coming back to work, complainant did not say anything. A moment or so later defendant came up and hit

SOVIET OIL.

Shipment on Way to East.

Moscow, January 7.
The third tanker with a consignment of Russian oil and gasoline for Shanghai left Batum this week, according to a report published by the Ekonomicheskaya Shima.
The tanker, a Norwegian vessel, is carrying 10,000 tons and is expected to reach Shanghai next month.—Trans-ocean Kuomin.

CHIANG-WANGHU TRIUMPHANTE.

Shanghai, To-day.
The special correspondent of the China Press at Hangchow declares that it is now a practical certainty that Chiang Kai-shek and Wang Ching-wei will leave for Nanking as soon as Hu Han-min joins them. This has resulted from a series of conferences held at Hangchow, where Chiang Kai-shek is now staying.
However, the China Press learns from Hong Kong that Hu Han-min has cabled to Wang Ching-wei saying that he still needs a long rest and cannot go to Nanking.—Reuter.

complainant on the shoulder with an iron bar. Complainant seized his assailant and another man hit him on the head from behind with a shovel. The other stokers then came to the engineer's aid and the two men were seized.
The medical officer of the ship gave evidence of complainant's wounds and said the man had been receiving attention for two weeks as a result of the attack.
The case was adjourned.

TEXT OF JAPAN'S COLDLY POLITE REPLY TO THE UNITED STATES

"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note dated January 8 which has had the most careful attention of this Government.
The Government of Japan were well aware that the Government of the United States could always be relied on to do everything in their power to support Japan's efforts to secure the full and complete fulfilment in every detail, of the Treaties of Washington and the Kellogg Treaty for the outlawry of war. They are glad to receive this additional assurance of fact.
As regards the question which Your Excellency specially mentions of the policy of the so-called "open door," the Japanese Government, as has so often been stated, regard that policy as a cardinal feature of the politics of the Far East, and only regret that its effectiveness is so seriously diminished by the unsettled conditions which prevail throughout China.
In so far as they can secure it the policy of the "open door" will always be maintained in Manchuria as in China Proper.
They take note of the statement by the Government of the United States that the latter cannot admit the legality of matters which might impair the treaty rights of the United States or its citizens,

or which might be brought about by means contrary to the Treaty of August 27, 1928. It might be the subject of academic doubt whether, in a given case, the propriety of means necessarily and always avoid the ends secured, but as Japan has no intention of adopting improper means, that question does not practically arise.
It may be added that treaties which relate to China must necessarily be applied with due regard to the state of affairs from time to time prevailing in that country, and that the present unsettled and distracted state of China is not what was in the contemplation of the high contracting parties at the time of the Treaty of Washington. It was certainly not satisfactory then, but it did not display that disunion and those antagonisms which it does to-day. This cannot affect the binding character of the stipulations of the treaties, but it may, in material respects, modify their application, since they must necessarily be applied with reference to the state of facts as they exist.
My Government desire further to point out that any replacement which has occurred in the personnel of the administration of Manchuria has been the necessary act of the local population. Even in cases of hostile occupation—which this was not—it is customary for

local officials to remain in the exercise of their functions. In the present case they for the most part fled or resigned. It was their own behaviour which was calculated to destroy the working of the apparatus of Government.
The Japanese Government cannot think that the Chinese people, unlike all others, are destitute of the power of self determination and of organising themselves, in order to secure civilised conditions when deserted by existing officials. While it need not be repeated that Japan entertains in Manchuria no territorial aims or ambitions, yet as Your Excellency knows, the welfare and safety of Manchuria and its accessibility for general trade are matters of deepest interest and of quite extraordinary importance to the Japanese people. That the American Government are always alive to the exigencies of Far Eastern questions has already been made evident on more than one occasion.
At the present juncture when the very existence of our national policy is involved, it is agreeable to be assured that the American Government are devoting, in friendly spirit, such sedulous care to the correct appreciation of the situation. I shall be obliged if Your Excellency will transmit this communication to Your Government.

STOP PRESS

London, Yesterday.
The death has occurred of Bishop Gore, the well-known Ecclesiastic.—Reuter.
Nanking, To-day.
Sir Miles Lampson is leaving for England via Siberia within a few days on six months' leave.
Sir Miles is expected to return for a further period of two years' service in China.
Mr. Edward Maurice Berkeley Ingram, O.B.E., will act as Charge d'Affaires in Sir Miles Lampson's absence.—Reuter.

BARCELONA WORKERS DOWN TOOLS

SPAIN IN THE GRIP OF STRIKE FEVER

GIRLS ARRESTED

(Reuter's Special Service.)

Barcelona, Yesterday.
Twenty-five thousand workers are to go on strike to-morrow, and, if their demands are not met, the strike will spread throughout Catalonia.
Simultaneously, Syndicalists announce a general strike for January 25 throughout the country.
A number of girls were arrested to-day for issuing seditious pamphlets. Many of them tried to resist arrest, and the police had to use force in taking them to the station.
This is the latest phase in the epidemic of strikes, which have swept through Spain during the last two months, and which had given rise to continual rioting during which eight were killed, sixty wounded and over a hundred arrested.

PEAK TRAGEDY.

House-Boy Found Stabbed.

DIES LATER.

The kitchen of 112 The Peak (Mountain View), the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. L. Rickett, was the scene of an alleged murder this morning, when Ho Fat, aged 46 years, employed as house-boy, was found stabbed. The wash-amah, a woman of 18 years of age, has been taken into custody, pending further investigations. She and the house-boy are said to have been heard quarrelling.
The house-boy was found on the kitchen floor, in a pool of blood. He had apparently been stabbed a little above the heart with a kitchen-table knife—one such knife was picked up nearby. When found he was alive and medical assistance was immediately summoned, but the injured man died after the doctor arrived.

property; and (3) simple larceny.
Accused pleaded "guilty" to the first count, and Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, Assistant Attorney-General, said that there was no reason to go into the other counts.
His Lordship: They are merely alternative charges?—That is all.
Stating the facts of the case briefly, Mr. Fitzroy said that the two complainants in this case occupied a cubicle in a house in Soy Street, Mongkok. On the morning of November 30, the occupants went to their work as usual. (Continued on Page 5.)

You are busy. Yet you want to be informed of the news of the day. Then, turn to the back page and glean the news. If there is any news of interest to you, it will be summarised for you.

WILL IT MEET?

The Lausanne Conference.

London, Yesterday.
While there is yet no confirmation of the French Newspaper report that the Reparations Conference, due to be held at Lausanne on January 25, will be postponed for five months, the portents do not seem to leave any doubt that the Conference, if it meets, will merely mark time and shelve the major issues for several months till the results are seen of the General Elections in France and the Presidential Election in Germany, and till a rough idea is obtained of how the Disarmament Conference is progressing.
All doubts on the matter, probably, will be dispelled by M. Laval's declaration of policy in the Chamber to-morrow.
The most likely procedure at Lausanne is for an extension of the Hoover loan facilities till the summer of 1933, when the bank

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ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

What Mail Reviewers Say.

"THE MAN THEY COULDN'T ARREST."

There is no doubt that with the production of each new picture Elstree is seriously challenging the Hollywood products and their latest, "The Man They Couldn't Arrest," which is now running at the Queen's Theatre, is one which cannot fail to appeal to British cinema-goers everywhere.

The picture is adapted from "Seamark's" widely read novel and in it Hugh Wakefield, the versatile British actor, makes his first talkie appearance as Dain, the radio-bug-cum-amateur-sleuth, and what thrills he gives one in his method of tracking down a dangerous gang of crooks led by a Frenchman, Count Lazard (ably represented by Robert Farquarson). The only girl in the picture is Renee Clapsa as Mercia, the daughter of Lazard's Lieutenant whom the Count murders in Dain's house as he is about to squeak.

Scotland Yard suspects that Dain is the murderer and he is the man they couldn't arrest. He evades capture until he has collected damning evidence of Lazard's guilt, and then, having decoyed Lazard to his premises, calls up Inspector Hargrave (March) to come for him. It is a thriller of the first water and rivals "Bulldog Drummond" in its gripping suspense.

From Official Sources.

"ANNABELLE'S AFFAIRS."

Sam Hardy, who made a reputation in musical comedy before he entered on a motion picture career twelve years ago, and has since become one of the outstanding character actors of the films, turned actor because of no work and he wanted to travel. Hardy, who enacts a supporting comedy role of a pompous, officious butler, in "Annabelle's Affairs," the Fox comedy, showing at the King's Theatre to-day, was soon disillusioned. He discovered the life of an actor is anything but easy and that the salary of a thespian scarcely adequate to keep one in good clothes.

Since he has been making living in motion pictures he has a home and its attendant comfort and frequent leisure in which to enjoy himself. The featured roles in "Annabelle's Affairs," are enacted roles by Victor McLaglen and Jeanette MacDonald. Others in the cast are Roland Young, William Collier, sen., Ruth Warren, Joyce Compton, Sally Blane, George Andre Beranger, Ernest Wood, Hank Mann, and Jed Prouty.

"EAST OF BORNEO."

"East of Borneo" is one of the most remarkable motion pictures ever shown in Hong Kong.

This unusual drama opened an engagement at the Central Theatre yesterday, and at once impressed as a picture which has something to offer in addition to a highly interesting story. The story is laid in the wild jungle country of the Malay Peninsula, and many of its scenes were actually made there by an expedition which travelled half way round the world from the studios in Hollywood. Thus the authenticity of the scenes is unquestioned, and the picture as a whole constitutes a valuable record of life and customs in that far-off land.

The story concerns an Oriental rajah, an American woman and her former husband.

Scenically, "East of Borneo" is full of wild charm. Most of the scenes take place in the palace of the rajah, a picturesque ruin situated on the bank of a crocodile-infested river, with an active volcano topping the mountain range in the middle distance.

The cast, headed by Rose Hobart and Charles Bickford, is excellent.

"FIVE AND TEN."

Making old tintypes with a modern camera is difficult work, according to Jimmy Mannatt, photographer, who had just such a job for "Five and Ten." Marion Davies's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicles which will open on Thursday at the Queen's Theatre. In the picture an old family album is exhibited in a scene, revealing old pictures of Miss Davies, Richard Bennett and Irene Rich. Leslie Howard plays opposite the star. The cast includes Kent Douglas, Mary Duncan and Lee Beranger.

"HUSH MONEY."

Screen and stage tradition that only one member of a family may hope to bask in the limelight and that additional members of the family must bask in the shadows, though equally talented, does not hold good with the Moore family.

Three brothers, Owen, Matt, and Tom, have been equally successful in films and for a period of many years.

At the time Owen Moore was playing a prominent role in the Fox production, "Hush Money," which will be shown at the King's Theatre starting on Thursday, Matt was clicking in "The Front Page" and Tom had deserted the screen temporarily to play the lead in a stage production in Hollywood.

In addition to Joan Bennett and Hardie Albright, who have the leading roles, C. Henry Gordon and Douglas Cosgrove have important parts.

GUESTS ASKED TO FIX HOTEL PRICES.

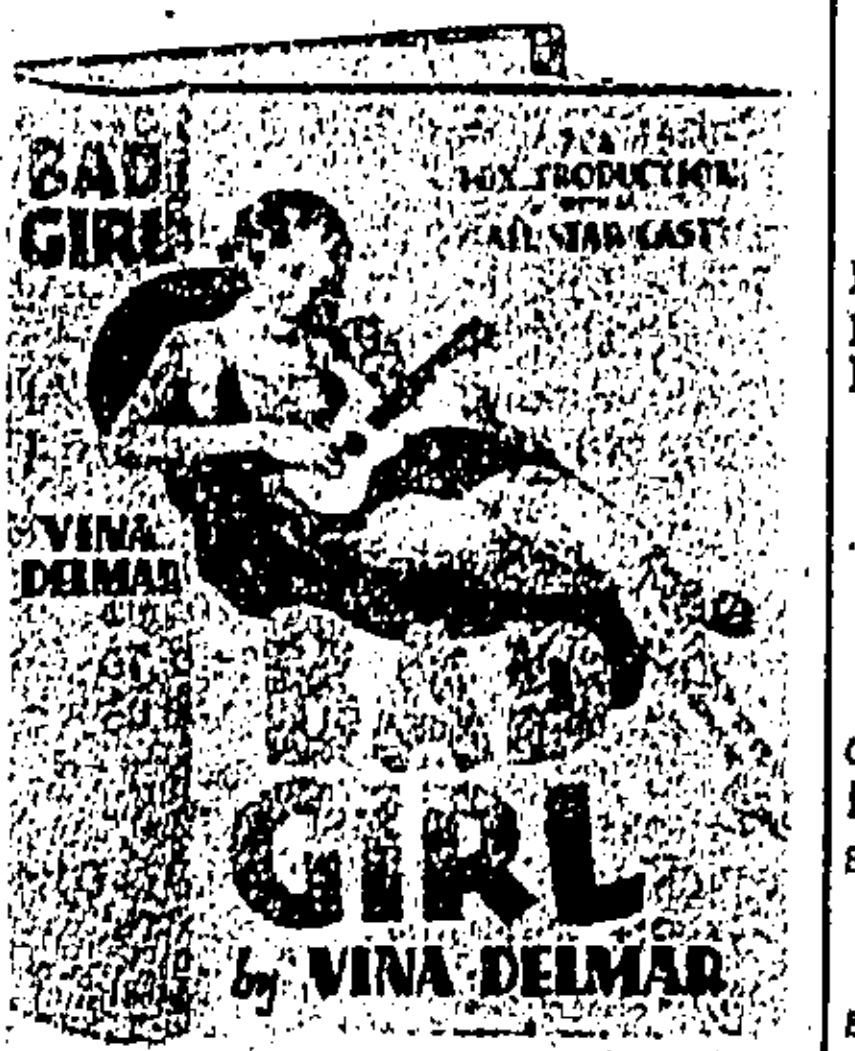
Riviera Winter Lure in Vain.

While Bournemouth is having a record Winter season because people cannot afford to go abroad since the depreciation of the pound, foreign hotel-owners are in despair.

"Stay here on your own terms," writes one San Remo (Italy) hotel manager to a British woman who this year has come to Bournemouth instead.

The Italian says frankly only ten per cent. of his accommodation is booked, whereas last year he had not a room to spare. The Riviera's loss is Bournemouth's gain. Beach cafes and places of entertainment are to remain open throughout the Winter.

"COMING SOON TO THE KING'S"



RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Recorded Programme.
7.05-7.55 p.m.—A Concert.

Violin Solo—
Fair Rosamary (Kreisler),
Rondino (Kreisler),
Fritz Kreisler (1386).

Song—
Lilly Dale (Thompson),
The Hazel Dell (Rock),
Olive Kline with Male Chorus (4005).

Organ Solo—
Prelude in E Flat (Saint-Saens),
The Swan (Saint-Saens),
Marcel Dupre (1430).

Song—
Oh How Can I Forget (Barthelemy),
Napulitanata (Costa),
Tito Schipa (Tenor) (1415).

Violin Solo—
Scherzo-Tarantelle (Wienawski),
La Ronde des Lutes (Bazzini),
Jascha Heifetz (6150).

Song—
Farla Valse (Arditi),
The Gypsy and the Bird (Benedict),
Madam Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano) (1287).

Piano Solo—
Impromptu in A Flat (Chopin Op. 29),
Harold Bauer (4378).

8 p.m.—Local Time.
7.55-8.36 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
The Waltzes of the World (Robrecht),
Marek Weber & His Orchestra (V500086).

Wedding Dance (Lincke),
Blue Danube (Strauss),
International Concert Orch. (35927).

Voices of the Spring (Strauss),
Vienna Blood (Strauss),
Boston Symphony Orchestra (6903).

Unrequited Love (Lincke),
My Hero (Strauss),
International Orchestra (35993).

8.36-9.55 p.m.—Organ Solos.
Ting-a-Ling,
Cherie I Love You,
Jesse Crawford (20263).

Barcelona,
Hello Aloha! How Are You,
Jesse Crawford (20263).

8.55-9.25 p.m.—Pianoforte.
Recital from the Studio by Miss Luba Pecker.

Programme.
1. Gavotte in B Minor (Bach).
2. Sonata (Haydn).
3. Capriccio (Mendelssohn).
4. Ballade No. 3 (Chopin).
5. March of the Dwarfs (Grieg).
6. Il Lamento (Liszt).

9.25-9.43 p.m.—
The Fountains of Rome (Respighi),
Played by London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates (9127-8).

9.43-10.25 p.m.—Variety.
Song—
That's Why I'm Happy,
Do Something,
Helen Kane (21917).

Song—
Cowboy's Lament,
Good-bye Old Paint,
Harry McClintock with Guitar (21761).

Whispering Baritone—
Where Can You Be,
You May Not Like It,
Jack Smith (22443).

Song—
Honey,
My Dear ... Mildred Hunt (22024).

Chorus—
Home,
Evenin',
The Revellers (21807).
(This record is by special request.)

Song—
Good Little Bad Little You,
Love Me or Leave Me,
Chick Endor, Tenor (21922).

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.
All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Company.

FORTUNE AND MISFORTUNE.

Mr. Nicholas Perisich, of Chicago, got to his bank the day before it failed and withdrew his life's savings of \$2,500.

"I'm lucky," he told his friends. A burglar entered his home the same night, found the money in an old trunk, and walked off with it.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at King's Restaurant, and Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

To-morrow—Tea Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

Thursday—Old Bedfordians' annual dinner, Hong Kong Club, 8 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre: "Annabelle's Affairs."

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "The Man They Couldn't Arrest."

To-day—Central Theatre: "East of Borneo."

To-day—Majestic Theatre: "The Seas Beneath."

To-day—Star Theatre: "Way Out West."

Home Malls.

To-day—Outward for Europe via Siberia (Hiye Maru), 6 p.m.

To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Porthos), 12.30 p.m.; for Europe via Siberia (President Jackson), 2.30 p.m.

LESSON-SERMON.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hong Kong.

"Life" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, January 17.

The Golden Text was—"This is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son." (1 John 5: 11)

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible—"How excellent is thy loving kindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures. For with thee is the fountain of life, in thy light shall we see light." (Ps. 36: 7-9)

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy—"Life is without beginning and without end. Eternity, not time, expresses the thought of Life, and time is no part of eternity. One ceases in proportion as the other is recognized. Time is finite; eternity is forever infinite." (p. 468)

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

SATURDAY'S SPORT IN BRIEF.

CRICKET.

LEAGUE I.

At Sookunpoo the I.R.C. defeated the Navy by 10 wickets:—
Navy: 64 (Minu 5 for 26; Madar 4 for 6).
I.R.C.: 186 (S. Kermani, ret., 41).

The University drew with the K.C.C. at Pokfulam:—
University: 175 (Anderson 53; Gosano 52; Burnett 4 for 33; Lyl 4 for 64).
K.C.C.: 164 for 8 (Fincher 37; Mackay 34; Baker 4 for 47).

The C.C.C. defeated the H.K.C.C. at Happy Valley by 86 runs:—
C.C.C.: 188 for 6 dec. (Zimmern 59; Gittins 56; Beck 4 for 51).
H.K.C.C.: 102 (Owen-Hughes 38; Lee 6 for 36).

LEAGUE II.

K.C.C. defeated the University in Kowloon by nine wickets:—
University: 91 (Smith 6 for 13).
K.C.C.: 162 for 7 (Smith 70; Gan 5 for 31).

The H.K.C.C. on their own ground, defeated the C.C.C. by eight wickets:—
C.C.C.: 62 (Wolf 4 for 8; Stoker 3 for 14).
H.K.C.C.: 117 for 8 (Gahagan 26; Kilbee 26; Kitchell 3 for 24).

The Club de Recreio, at King's Park, defeated the R.A.S.C. by seven wickets:—
R.A.S.C.: (Guterres 4 for 10).
Recreio: 107 (L. J. Guterres 31 not out; Whitley 4 for 48).

FRIENDLIES.

The P.R.C., on their own ground, defeated the R.A. by seven wickets:—
R.A.: 104 (Wolfe-Barry 33; Baker 3 for 28; Alexander 3 for 53).
P.R.C.: 166 for 8 (Alexander 88).

At Sookunpoo the S.W.B. beat the R.E. & R.C.S. by nine wickets:—
R.E. & R.C.S.: 43 (Hamilton 7 for 19; Wales 3 for 12).
S.W.B.: 248 (Whellon 75).

FOOTBALL.

Division I.	
Borderers	5 St. Joseph's
Police	1 Argyls
Kowloon	0 Navy
Club	1 Recreio
Division II.	
Kowloon	6 University
Borderers	0 Argyls
Club	1 Navy
Chinese League.	
Eastern	4 Sung Ching

GOAL SCORERS.

The following were the marksmen in Saturday's matches:—

Division I.	
Jones (Borderers)	4
Dickenson (Navy)	2
Harris (Borderers)	1
Souza (St. Joseph's)	1
Leonard (St. Joseph's)	1
Foley (Club)	1
Lamont (Argyls)	1
Pile (Police)	1
Division II.	
Nash (Navy)	3
White (Kowloon)	3
King (Argyls)	2
Nicholls (Kowloon)	2
Noonan (Kowloon)	1
Kirkby (Navy)	1
Ashton (Navy)	1
Fowler (Club)	1
P. Ho (University)	1
H. Ho (University)	1
Wong (University)	1
Chinese League.	
Fung Tai-po (Eastern)	3
Chan Yik-cheong (Eastern)	1
Kam Pak-shu (Eastern)	1

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.				Goals.	
	P.	W.	D. L.	P.	A. Pts.
Royal Navy	9	7	1	23	13
Argyls	9	6	2	23	7
Kowloon	9	5	0	28	19
Police	8	4	2	18	10
Borderers	8	4	2	21	15
Club	8	2	2	19	8
Recreio	9	1	1	7	20
St. Joseph's	8	0	0	8	47
Division II.				Goals.	
	P.	W.	D. L.	P.	A. Pts.
Argyls	11	10	0	3	25
Borderers	12	9	0	3	27
Royal Navy	10	7	0	8	24
12th Battery	9	8	0	8	41
E.A.O.C.	10	4	0	6	25
Kowloon	12	4	0	3	25
Club	11	8	0	9	25
University	10	6	0	10	12

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CHARITY FOOTBALL.

Navy Oppose Canton Elevens.

PRESENTATION OF CUP.

On the H.K.F.C. ground yesterday two matches were played between teams representing the Navy and the Keung Wah Club of Canton, in aid of the Tung Kun Free School for the poor.

The ball was raffled at 10 cents a ticket and the winning number was drawn during the first eleven match by Lt.-Cmdr. Packer, R.N., representing the Commodore, who was unable to attend. The winning ticket was No. 1927.

The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau kicked off for the Navy in the senior game, and afterward thanked the Royal Navy and all the players on behalf of the poor pupils of the School for their help in making the matches a success.

As a mark of appreciation, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau presented a Cup to the Navy, and to each individual player in the Navy side a silver spoon.

Results:—

Senior.	
K. W. Club	2
Navy	1
Junior.	
Navy	1
K. W. Club	0

GOLF.

Bogey Pool at Fanling.

Bogey Pool, played on the New Course at Fanling on Friday and Saturday resulted:—
Captain J. H. Anderson (5) 2 up (wins).
Other scores:—D. S. Edward (11) all square; J. S. Dykes (17) 2 down; F. B. Mackie (12) 2 down. There were 24 entries.

GOLFER INJURED.

Mr. D. M. Goodall, of Messrs. Lane Crawford's, was playing golf at the Happy Valley Golf course yesterday morning, when a ball driven by another player from another tee struck him on the forehead which bled profusely.

Mr. Goodall was removed to the French Hospital, where the wound was stitched.

SUNDAY'S "HIKE."

Eighteen members of Hong Kong's Hiking Club met yesterday afternoon in Kennedy Road and, after a group photograph had been taken, 17 proceeded on a hike along Bowen Road. At the Taitam Reservoir the party (then 14) split up, four going by a short cut to Causeway Bay and the remainder in the direction of the Talkoo Dockyard. At their destination the party had tea with members of the Talkoo Recreation Club, later returning home by tram.

The outing was voted a great success.

The annual meeting of the Chinese Bathing Club, which was to have taken place on Saturday, was postponed to next Saturday at three o'clock at On Lok Yuen's Restaurant, Des Voeux Road Central.

The present South African touring side are, in my opinion, bound by their own limitations, which are a direct result of their kicking proclivities. I mean they are terribly afraid to take risks. The obvious they seize upon speedily, and quickly turn to advantage; it is when they are faced with a stern opposition that they refuse to have a "go," preferring "safety first" methods.—Clem Lewis.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Interport Trial.
Services 19 points
Club 3 points
Friendly.
H.M.S. Medway 14 points
Kowloon 3 points

HOCKEY.

Club Club Cup.
Kowloon 2
H.K.F.C. 2
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SHANGHAI BEAU PAYS \$528.30.

Startling Dividend in Macao.

OUTSIDERS' DAY.

The following were the results of the extra race meeting in Macao yesterday:—

The Chefoo Handicap: First Division: One Mile.

Mr. H. W. Mok's Brown Eyes 145 lbs. (Mr. Fung) 1
Mr. H. P. Rees' Sunning 160 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 2

Mr. Dahrem's Bay of Bellingham 11 152 lbs. (Mr. A. W. da Rosa) 3

Time: 53-2/5 1.05-3/5 1.38-1/5 2.10-4/5.

Distance: 4 lengths, 2 lengths.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$54.60.

Places: \$7.10; \$6.30; \$6.70.

Cash Sweep: 1st \$87.50; 2nd \$25.00; 3rd \$12.50. Unplaced: \$5.00 each.

Wei-hai-wei Plate: First Division: Six Furlongs.

Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Hsin Sui Woo, 153 lbs. (Mr. Ip Kui-ying) 1

Mr. G. H. Potts' Lightship, 163 lbs. (Mr. G. U. da Rosa) 2

Mr. G. H. Potts' Arminius, 163 lbs. (Mr. Benham) 3

Distance: A neck, 1/2 length.

Time: 81-2/5, 1.02-2/5, 1.34-4/5.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$100.30.

Places: \$24.90; \$13.90, \$22.20.

Cash Sweep: 1st \$151.20; 2nd \$48.20; 3rd \$21.60. Unplaced: \$5.00 each.

The Hong Kong Handicap: One and a Quarter Miles.

Mr. Festival's Orlando, 165 lbs. (Mr. Y. M. Loo) 1

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gomeril, 140 lbs. (Mr. Butler) 2

Time: .38, 1.08-4/5, 1.36-1/5, 2.07-2/5, 2.43.

Distance: 6 lengths, 4 lengths.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$8.60.

Places: \$7.00; \$11.30.

Cash Sweep: 1st \$133.40, 2nd \$52.40, 3rd \$28.20. Unplaced \$26.20.

The Peiping Handicap: Once Round.

Mr. Jonike's Shanghai Beau, 140 lbs. (Mr. Rees) 1

Mr. H. W. Mok's Mount Elburz, 165 lbs. (Mr. Butler) 2

Messrs. Sturt and Lobel's Tango, 165 lbs. (Mr. Noronha) 3

Time: 25-3/5, 55-3/5, 1.28-3/5, 2.02.

Distance: 1/2 length, 3/4 length.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$528.30.

Places: \$32.90 \$7.60, \$7.50.

Cash Sweep: 1st \$207.90, 2nd \$59.40, 3rd \$29.70. Unplaced \$8.20 each.

The Chefoo Handicap: Second Division: One Mile.

Mr. L. Reidy's Heliotrope Leaf, 160 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 1

Major I. M. Stewart's Country Club, 160 lbs. (Mr. Stewart) 2

Time: 52-3/5, 1.05-1/5, 1.37-1/5, 2.11-1/5.

Distance: 4 lengths, 5 lengths.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$15.40.

Places: \$9.50, \$9.80.

Cash Sweep: 1st \$192.15, 2nd \$54.90, 3rd \$27.45. Unplaced \$15.25 each.

\$1 Cash Sweep.

1st 1141 \$705.95

2nd 8905 \$201.70

3rd 1485 \$109.85

Unplaced \$28.00 each.

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Wei-hai-wei Plate: Second Division: Six Furlongs.

Messrs. Lo & Liang's Pure Music, 169 lbs. (Mr. Roza) 1

Mr. H. Lowcock's The Slow Bird, 158 lbs. (Mr. Liang) 2

Mr. Pangyao's Matsushima, 158 lbs. (Mr. Caplan) 3

Time: .30, 1.05-3/5, 1.36-2/5.

Distance: 5 lengths, 4 lengths.

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$17.10.

Places: \$7.80, \$10.60, \$8.50.

Cash Sweep: 1st \$221.20, 2nd \$69.20, 3rd \$21.60. Unplaced \$7.00 each.

The Chefoo Handicap: Third Division: One Mile.

Mr. Wong Lan-kam's Blue Plane, 165 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 1

Mr. Arrow's Silver Arrow, 147 lbs. (Mr. Ip Kui-ying) 2

Mr. G. S. H. Bramwell's As You Like It, 167 lbs. (Mr. Bramwell) 3

Time: 54-4/5, 1.11-2/5, 1.45, 2.16-3/5.

Distance: 3 lengths, a head.

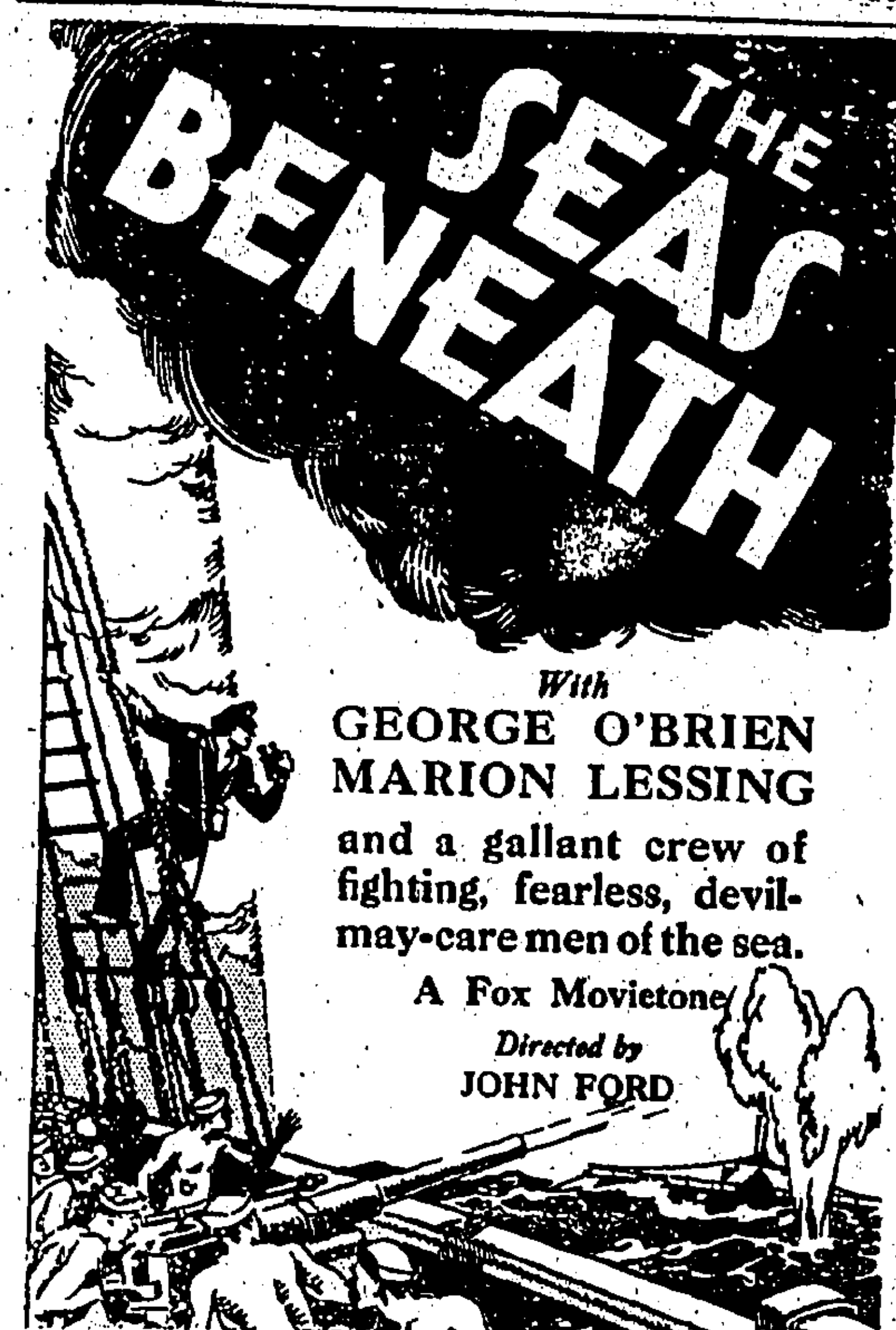
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$97.80.

Places: \$12.40, \$10.10, \$11.10.

Cash Sweep: 1st \$239.40, 2nd \$68.80, 3rd \$22.80. Unplaced \$9.25 each.

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YACHTING

RESULT OF FIRST CORINTHIAN RACE.

The following were the full results of the First Corinthian (No Yacht Buoy) Race sailed yesterday over the following course:—
(1) North Fairway Buoy (s), (2) Rumsey Shoal (s), a distance of 7.5 miles.

Results in full:—

"H" Class (Started at 2.25 p.m.).				
Yacht	Finished	Corrected	P'tion	Sailed by
Norena	4.14.50	4.14.50	4	Capt. Krogh Moe.
Siskin	4.17.44	4.12.44	1	Mr. A. V. Harvey.
Diana	4.20.02	4.13.47	2	Major W. Bingham.
Argyll II.	4.27.06	4.18.21	5	Mr. H. J. Pearce.
Dorothea	4.22.47	4.14.02	3	Mr. B. Naess.
Colleen	4.27.32	4.18.47	6	Mr. S. Odland.

"I" & "V" Class (Started at 2.30 p.m.).				
Yacht	Finished	Corrected	P'tion	Sailed by
Daphne	4.40.31	4.40.31	5	Miss Stokes.
Allan	4.35.35	4.35.35	2	Capt. Lochner.
Why Wonder	4.40.21	4.39.44	4	Capt. Fowkes.
Bluejacket	4.34.02	4.33.25	1	Mr. H. S. Rouse.
Boojum	4.46.20	4.45.43	7	Mr. G. Pickering.
Speedwell	4.48.01	4.37.24	3	Major Stewart.
Adanac	4.45.28	4.44.51	6	Cdr. A. H. Walker, R.N.

"G" Class (Started at 2.35 p.m.).				
Yacht	Finished	Corrected	P'tion	Sailed by
Zephyr	5.08.22	5.08.22	3	Mr. F. E. Skinner.
Lola	4.48.22	4.45.52	1	Mr. R. Grieve.
Wendy	4.57.15	4.56.00	2	Mr. I. de Ville.

The fifth cruiser championship race was sailed yesterday, the course being Cheung Chau (P.), a distance of 25 miles. The race started at 10.05 a.m. and resulted as follows:—

Yacht	Finished	Corrected	P'tion	Pts.	Sailed by
Azuma	4.00.34	3.48.43	1	53	Mr. H. Dreyer.
La Cigale	4.03.59	4.03.59	4	57	Mr. N. Croucher.
Isis	4.42.58	4.37.56	8	58	Lt. A. M. Anstruther.
Norseman	4.57.04	4.04.12	5	37	Mr. E. Goulborn.
U. and I.	4.19.07	3.56.03	2	71	Mr. H. S. Rouse.
Monsoon	5.47.00	4.37.42	7	21	Lt. Tothill.
Curlew	5.04.47	4.01.49	3	55	Major Tosh.
Wanderer	4.20.31	4.16.46	6	56	Mr. F. Baker.

P. M. HORNIBROOK RETIRES.

Disagreement with An Official.

IMPRESSIVE RECORD.

Following a disagreement with an official of the State Selection Committee, P. M. Hornibrook, the Queensland left-arm bowler, has announced his retirement from first-class cricket.

Hornibrook was not included in the Queensland team that met the South Africans.

A member of the Australian team that toured England and regained the Ashes in 1930, Hornibrook proved a big success. Altogether he captured 96 wickets at an average of 18.77—only Grimmett had better figures—taking 13 wickets at an average of 36.23 in the Tests.

It will be remembered that Hornibrook bowled very effectively in the Final Test at the Oval, taking 7 wickets for 92 in the 2nd innings and helping Australia to triumph by an innings and regain the "Ashes."

DAN DRYSDALE NOW IN MALAYA.

Joins Dunlop Rubber Company.

CAREER IN BRIEF.

D. ("Dan") Drysdale, the Scottish Rugby international full-back from 1923-29 has arrived in Malacca to join the Dunlop Rubber Co. Drysdale has played full-back for Scotland on 21 occasions—five times each against England, Ireland and Wales and six times against France. His last international match was against France in 1929. Mr. Drysdale is a B.Sc. (Agric.) and M.A. and B. Com. of Edinburgh University and later went on to Oxford University where he obtained further scholastic honours. He joined the Dunlop Company four or five years ago.

"Dan" Drysdale was schooled at Heriot's where he was in the XV and later in the Herionians XV with G. W. Sommerville, the State Selangor right-wing-threequarter. At school Drysdale played at stand-off half and centre-threequarter. On leaving school he took up the full back position and soon earned international honours.

POPE RECEIVES MUSSOLINI.

Duce's First Visit to Vatican.

PRIVATE AUDIENCE.

Rome, January 10.
Premier Mussolini will be received in audience by the Pontiff tomorrow, according to an official statement issued to-day, confirming the long-current rumours that the conciliation between the Fascist State and the Catholic Church was to be outwardly demonstrated by a meeting between their heads.

This will be the first time, since the conclusion of the Lateran Treaty, that the Duce will enter the Vatican and, furthermore, the first time that he will bend over the hand of a successor of St. Peter.

On this occasion, Signor Mussolini will thank the Pontiff for having bestowed upon him the Order of the Golden Spur, founded by Pius X, which, as a rule, is awarded only to reigning sovereigns. Though the audience will have a private character, the Papal ceremonies will be rigidly observed throughout.

After the Premier, the Pontiff will receive the Italian Foreign Minister, Dr. D. Grandi, to whom he had awarded the Great Cross of the Order of Pius.—Trans-Ocean Kuomin.

AUTHOR CRICKETERS.

I suppose Mr. J. C. Squire is prouder of having founded the Invalids C.C. than of any other achievement in his not very long life, says a paragraphist in a London daily.

The members form a literary galaxy, but though modesty is not the usual attribute of authors, they are very far from being invalids, either on the cricket field or at the cricket dinner. These dinners are always amusing functions. Then may you see Mr. A. P. Herbert seriously talking politics, or hear Mr. Johnny Morton sing a French ballad. Mr. Ralph Strauss talks cricket or psycho-analysis with Mr. Hilaire Belloc. And Jack Squire beams benignantly on those whom he rules like a tyrant in the cricket field.

A Siamese cat has spent the last fortnight walking the thirty miles from Ross to Pontypool, to return to its old home.

PRINCESS KILLS HER RICH LOVER.

Seven Shots As He Refused to Wed Her.

Accused of having shot dead her fiancé, a 24-year-old princess has been arrested at Warsaw.
She is Princess Woronecka, a member of a very old Polish family, one of her ancestors having been King of Poland in the seventeenth century.

Her fiancé was Mr. W. Boye, aged 40, a wealthy rubber manufacturer. After the tragedy, Princess Woronecka telephoned to Mr. Boye's office and said to his secretary: "I have shot your chief dead."

Lived Together.
The couple, who lived in the same apartment, were unable to marry because Mr. Boye had not obtained a divorce from his wife.

A quarrel occurred, it is stated, when Mr. Boye said that his brother was coming to Warsaw from Germany, and that she would have to leave the apartment, as he was afraid his brother would object to her presence there.

The Princess then fired at her lover seven times, four bullets taking effect.

She is said to have told the police that she asked her fiancé five times if he would marry her, and each time he said "No."

A GERMAN HOROSCOPE FOR 1932.

Germany has her Old Moore—a scientific and very Teutonic Old Moore who clothes his prophecies with a mantle of pseudo-profundity. I have been reading his prognostications for 1932. They are refreshingly optimistic, says a writer in a London daily.

1932 will be the year of which future generations will say: "This was the real end of world war." After serious differences involving changes of government, France and Germany will come to an economic agreement.

The Bolshevist regime will collapse because of its financial difficulties. Austria will have a Putsch. Hungary will become a monarchy. Gandhi will fall ill; India will have serious internal troubles. Trade, however, will recover. Last, but not least, Germany's international football team will conquer the world!

I confess that this last statement shakes my confidence in the whole.

PRINCE GEORGE AND PRINTERS.

Speech at Charity Festival.

JUSTICE EVE ON NEWSPAPERS.

A total of £23,165 was raised in aid of the funds of the Printers' Pension, Almshouse, and Orphan Asylum Corporation at its festival dinner, held at Connaught Rooms under the presidency of Prince George.

Before the dinner the Prince was invested by Mr. C. H. St. J. Hornby with the presidential chain presented to the corporation by Sir Gomer Berry.

Prince George, proposing a toast to the Corporation, said that when masters and men united as they had done, to secure the comfort and well-being of the aged and infirm, and to care for the orphans of their workers who fell in the Great War, it was not only a proof of kindly feeling, but it was also a recognition that a great trade like theirs depended for its efficiency and progress in a special degree upon its craftsmen.

That festival was probably unique in the history of British industry. Here was a Corporation, supported by every grade, from the newspaper proprietor to the humblest worker, and managed by a council almost as representative as its subscription list, demonstrating, in a most striking way, the art and desire of working together.

Mr. C. W. Iveson, responding, said they endeavoured to administer the funds of the institution with sympathy and consideration. Of its kind it was one of the largest, if not quite the largest, institution in the country.

Boon to Eyesight.
Mr. Justice Eve, submitting "The Newspaper and Printing Industry," said no one was insensible to the benefits and advantages gained from the art of printing. Without its services, literature, art, science, and dozens of other things would still be unexplored territory to the majority of men.

The extent to which the eyesight of people had been protected by the printer's art was noteworthy. He had practised at the Bar and on the Bench for fifty years, often working very late in the perusal of documents, and he attributed the preservation intact of his eyesight until he was 76 years of age to the

M. BRIAND'S HEALTH

PARIS CONCERNED OVER RUMOURS.

ONLY WEAKNESS.

Paris, January 5.
In spite of official denials at the Quai d'Orsay, reports persisted throughout Paris to-day that M. Aristide Briand, the veteran French Foreign Minister and President of the League of Nations Council, is critically ill.

It is admitted at the Quai d'Orsay that M. Briand is not well. But an official statement insists that his condition is not critical. The statement says M. Briand is suffering from fatigue as the result of treatment for an ailment which has caused him discomfort for some time.

In spite of the official denials by M. Briand's associates the reports persist throughout Paris that the famous "Apostle of Peace" suffered a heart stroke on Monday and another on Tuesday. The reports insist that M. Briand's condition is now critical.

M. Leger, the Chief of M. Briand's Cabinet, insists that the Foreign Minister is suffering merely a temporary weakness caused by a milk diet to which his physicians have limited him recently.

skill of the compositor. (Hear, hear.)

When they realised the great amount of work which was done day after day, night after night, under the relentless pressure of time, in producing the Press, they must be alive to the merit which characterised the newspapers and the great industry through which they were prepared, published, and circulated. Though their contents might not always be as piquant as the contents bills led them to suppose, yet in their pages they would find adequate reports of meetings and societies to suppress everything and everybody—(laughter)—the Navy and all other means of defence and offence, the episcopacy, horse-racing, betting, gaming, gambling, all kinds of rational and enjoyable engagements—(laughter).

Newspapers' Responsibility.
Sir Edward Lilford, responding, submitted that, just as the country got the Government it deserved, so it got the Press it deserved. We had now got a better Government, and, he hoped, a better Press. (Hear, hear). The main function of the newspapers was to record news in as unbiased a manner as possible. Criticism of public men and policy should be secondary, and only indulged in if the necessity arose.

ONE LAW FOR WIVES.

Privileges That Are Refused To Men.

The inequality of marriage laws as applied to husbands was the subject of comment by Mr. Pope, the magistrate at Clerkenwell Police Court, when a woman was bound over on a charge of assaulting her

However, there is noticeable an unusual animation at M. Briand's private apartments at the Quai d'Orsay.

Three Score Years and Ten.

Mr. Briand is now 70 years of age. He has worked under intense pressure for the past two decades and especially during the last ten years. During the recent Paris discussions of the Council of the League of Nations on the Sino-Japanese conflict in Manchuria it was noted that occasionally M. Briand, evidently weary, dozed in his chair. A serious illness at this time for M. Briand would definitely influence important negotiations such as those involving the dispute between China and Japan. Also, the world disarmament conference opens under the auspices of the League of Nations at Geneva in less than a month and it had been expected that M. Briand's influence in behalf of peace would be needed there.

Further announcements at the Quai d'Orsay as to M. Briand's condition are anxiously awaited throughout Paris.—United Press.

IF A PILOT IS NERVOUS.

The "Wobblometer" Will Warn Him.

Another new gadget for the use of airmen has just made its appearance. It is called the "wobblometer," and it will show a pilot, if he steps on it for a minute before taking off, whether or not his nerves are in fit condition to fly an aeroplane.

If his reading is more than 50 per cent, above normal he had better stay on the ground.

A flat, square apparatus, resembling a weighing machine, in the "Wobblometer" registers the pilot's nervous condition and state of fatigue. It consists of a movable platform balanced above two metres, one registering lateral motion and the other fore and aft motion.

Question of Balance.
The better the subject balances himself on the platform, the lower the reading. And, theoretically at least, the more nervous he is, the poorer his balance will be.

The "Wobblometer" was developed originally for use by motor-car manufacturers in testing the riding qualities of their car.

husband by striking him on the head with a chopper.

The husband said that his wife had assaulted him before and he wanted a separation.

"You cannot have that," replied Mr. Pope. "It is only the woman who have these joys and privileges. Husbands have to take it as it comes. It would be interesting to have a table drawn up of matters in which the female sex are ahead of us."

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Misunderstood!

One of the commonest subjects for comment in the Press is perhaps the least understood of any dealt with day by day in the columns of the newspapers at Home and abroad. In mail week, we notice that somebody has been complaining that the generation now undergoing what is popularly known as education has no such knowledge of the Bible as was drilled into its immediate predecessors. That threatens to open up a religious controversy, which must be rigidly tabooed in a secular daily newspaper.

It is not only in respect of Bible knowledge, however, that a gulf has been visibly opening between the old and the new generation. Everybody who was adult in 1914 has noted that the post-war youth has been growing up in quite a different world from that which existed before the War, and that its outlook inevitably tends to be different. It may be difficult to name precisely the points of difference. Parents themselves become accustomed to the new order of things, to adapt themselves more or less to their children, and to forget, except in moments of paternal or maternal lecturing, how differently they themselves were brought up. And probably that is just as well; otherwise, the width of the gulf would become tragic. What is perhaps most clearly noticeable, however, is the fact that the youth of to-day seems to have so little comprehension of what life was like before the War. That is not its fault, nor any occasion for blame. Youth always lives in the present and the future; it has rarely any great interest in the past, nor should one expect that.

The point is that formerly one generation slipped imperceptibly into another, and in the process of slow, gradual change there was plenty of time and opportunity for the young to learn the older traditions, customs and ways of thought that preserve the continuity of the race. But in the Great War there was an abrupt and violent breach over which the youth of to-day cannot easily look back.

The same sort of thing happened, more slowly but perhaps still more drastically, in the Industrial Revolution, when a great mass of the population was transferred bodily and mentally from the ancient agricultural life to the life of squalid factory and mining towns, and lost all contact with its former roots.

The whole Empire has suffered from the suddenness of that change. Yet to-day we are changing again almost as rapidly, and we are not thinking enough about how to mitigate the effects of the change. What is more, it seems inevitable that in the immediate future the process of change will become increasingly rapid. To mention only the most elementary instances, the motor-bus, wireless, and the cinema have altered the whole atmosphere. And the progress of modern invention will go on, necessitating still swifter adaptation. We are like people flying not only through space but through time to arrive in a new and unfamiliar age.

Materially, perhaps, it may be to the benefit of the race. But, mentally and morally, what will be the results? One cannot but doubt whether they will be entirely good. What kind of human nature will it be which has no roots in the past? It is difficult to be a neighbour inactively. One man's life is another's despair. Neighbours do all kinds of things—like five-finger exercises. Sometimes they even dare to have babies. In Canada a legal precedent has been established that they may, moreover—though this clause may be thought tautologous—the baby is allowed to cry. "It is one of the ills to which humanity is heir," said the judge who added this clause to the neighbour's bill of rights. It is the natural exercise of a pair of healthy lungs," said a witness, in a phrase which has a familiar ring. And now that the right is well and truly established, dare we perhaps ask which of us has done so much to abolish the right to be a neighbour? Might not this job too, in the interest not only of the neighbours but of the race, be left to M.S. in the Daily Telegraph?

From Other Pens.

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Room 967.

A visitor to New York from Ohio—from Circleville, Ohio, to be exact—stopped at an hotel in the Grand Central district. One night he went to a cinema, later strolled up Broadway, smoked a cigar, and at length headed for his hotel. He went in, stopped at the desk, asked for his key—967—got it, yawned, and took the elevator up to his room. When he entered it and flicked on the light, he was startled to see that he had been cleaned out, bag, baggage, toothbrush, everything. Oddly, too, the maunders had apparently shifted the bathroom from the left side of the room to the right. Baffled and alarmed, the gentleman examined his key. Yes, it was 967 all right, and that was his room—he never forgot a number. In examining the key, however, he discovered what was the matter. It was the key to Room 967 in another hotel a few blocks away. He had walked into the wrong hotel. Pulling himself together, he took the elevator back downstairs, lightly tossed the key across the counter to a smiling clerk and walked two blocks up the avenue to the right place, tired but happy, declaring to himself that it had indeed been an interesting adventure.—North China Daily News.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday up to 4 p.m. was 53 degrees. The humidity was 68 at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

At to-morrow's Rotary Tiffin the speaker will be Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, and his subject "The Institute of Pacific Relations."

Mrs. C. E. L. Grist will speak on "Magazines" at the next meeting of the Hong Kong Branch of the English Association in the Helena May Institute to-morrow at 5.30 p.m.

Armed with daggers, four men gained admission to 165, Portland Street, yesterday. After binding and gagging the inmates, they stole jewellery and clothing to the value of \$215.

The Burns Dinner under the auspices of St. Andrew's Society will be held on January 23 in Lane Crawford's Restaurant at 8.30 p.m. Subscription (exclusive of wines, \$4 each).

A drowning tragedy has just been revealed by the discovery of the body of a boarding house folk whose disappearance was reported to the Police on January 7. The unfortunate man is Yau Sam aged 30, a fook of the Chung Wah Hotel Fat Kee Boarding House, whose body was found by the Water Police floating in Causeway Bay in a badly decomposed condition.

Personal Pars.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin has been appointed a member of the Sanitary Board for a further term of three years.

Dr. E. P. Minett, T.D., V.D., D.P.H., until recently Bacteriologist in Hong Kong, has been appointed Medical Officer of Health at St. Christopher-Nevis.

Dr. A. C. V. Melbourne, of the Queensland University, who is making an economic survey of the East, left Hong Kong for Shanghai by the Talamo to continue his investigations.

CHILDREN'S PARTY.

R.A.O.B.

Postponed along with many Christmas and New Year gatherings on account of the diphtheria epidemic, the annual children's Christmas Tree party was held in the R.A.O.B. Club, Duddell Street, yesterday from 2 to 6 o'clock.

The delay did not affect the attendance or the exuberance of the youngsters, some of whom turned up as early as noon "to avoid the crush." The Club had been very tastefully decorated and, carefully draped with flags, the Christmas Tree was for a few hours a thing of hidden mystery. After a series of games, musical selections played by Miss Beatrice Cullen, an unexpected "turn" by an unexpected clown (Mr. A. E. Manwaring), and after a Father Christmas (Mr. H. Farrier) appeared in full view and began the pleasing task of distributing an exceptionally fine lot of toys from the Tree.

After a vote of thanks to the Christmas Tree Committee, ladies and other helpers, Father Christmas, and the chairman (Mr. P. Cullen), a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon was brought to a close with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

DEAN INGE AND WORLD'S END THE "CLOCK" MAY BE WOUND UP AGAIN.

GLOOMY THEORIES OF SCIENCE.

Dean Inge, in his first Warburton Lecture given in the Chapel of Lincoln's Inn, challenged the astronomers' theory that the world is running down like a clock. One who first wound it up could do so again.

While the nineteenth century had been called a century of hope, it was to be followed, it now seemed, by a century of disillusionment. God was bound up with His creation for the men of science, philosophers, sociologists, and historians of the last century.

"And yet if Jeans and Eddington are right," said the Dean, "this emerging, evolving, improving God is no God at all, for surely a God under sentence of death is no God."

"If the universe is running down like a clock, the clock must have been wound up. The world, if it is to have an end in time, must have had a beginning in time."

The Old Creation Story. "Is science itself driving us back to the traditional Christian doctrine that God created the world out of nothing at a certain date? That would be an amazing contradiction of some of the presuppositions upon which science is based. Or, if an absolute beginning and end are unthinkable, is it not reasonable to assume that whatever power wound up the clock once may probably be able to wind it up again?"

Is there really no escape from the final doom of the universe? If we have to admit that the irrevocable degradation of energy is proved, how does it affect our beliefs about God?

"We believe that if there is a God He must be omnipotent and eternal. But if there is such a being, and if it is His nature to create a world, must He not create always? Can we imagine His literally surviving His creation and living on without it?"

"Even if the whole of the world order that we know must submit at last to the universal doom and pass out of existence, that only means that the whole universe is, after all, only a finite purpose of God, which, like all the purposes which are not frustrated, has its proper beginning, middle, and end. In that case there may be, and probably are, other world orders of which we know nothing."

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RECORD ASSIZES.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Later a man, or men, broke the glass in the window of the cubicle and lifting the bolt, entered and took the two quilts forming the subject of the charge. Someone saw a man walking away from the house, and when the complainants returned and discovered their loss, this information was given to them. One of them went off on his bicycle to follow in the direction the man was reported to have gone. He visited all the pawnshops in the district, and in one of them found the accused trying to pawn the quilts. Arrest followed.

Prisoner's Record. Referring to the accused's record, Mr. Fitzroy said that at the age of 11 years, in 1905, he was convicted for the first time for stealing and went to jail for 21 days. Since then he had been convicted 31 times and had appeared six times in the Supreme Court. He had spent 18 years of his life in jail and appeared to be addicted to housebreaking and small larcenies.

A Good Prisoner. "He seems to like the jail," Counsel commented, and added that "inside" he was regarded as a good prisoner and a good worker, and gave no trouble. The accused was able to turn his hand to any trade, and it was hard to understand why he did not try to get an honest living.

His Lordship (to accused): You appear to prefer being in jail than outside it.

Accused: That is not the case. I have no alternative. If I try to be honest by hawking I can't get a licence.

His Lordship commented that that was no doubt due to his bad record.

Accused: That is not it. As soon as I get a stock and lay out my stall I am arrested and charged with obstruction and lose all my capital money!

His Lordship passed sentence of three years' hard labour. Accused then asked his Lordship to issue a hawk's licence to him.

Mr. Justice Lindsell told him that he would have to apply for it at the proper quarter after his discharge from jail.

Accused: That will be no good!

He was proceeding to say some more when he was ordered to be removed from the dock.

This closed the business of the Assizes which was adjourned sine die.

"Was there anything peculiar about the plaintiff's behaviour in hospital?" counsel asked a policeman who was a witness in a King's Bench case. "Yes," the officer replied, "he wanted to kiss the nurse as well as myself."

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A GERMAN VISITS CHICAGO.

Theory is a mouse in the claws of the tiger of experience. So runs the Malay proverb. It is a maxim the truth of which finds daily justification.

Hear the sad story of Herr Paul Scheffer, the most distinguished journalist of Germany, the author of the best book on Bolshevist Russia, and now correspondent of his newspaper in the United States.

For months now his editor has been telegraphing him for lurid stories of Chicago gunmen. Herr Scheffer, however, does not believe in lurid journalism. Hitherto, he has been inclined to regard the reign of gunman terror in Chicago for the diversion of a sensation-hungry public.

Seeing to Believe. Acting on peremptory orders from Berlin, he went to Chicago the other day to see for himself.

Within five minutes of his arrival he went into a tobaccoist's to buy some cigarettes. While he was making his purchase a gunman entered the shop, shot down the tobaccoist, emptied the till and departed.

Before Herr Scheffer had recovered from the shock the police arrived and at once arrested him. Several hours in the clutches of the law, from which he was extricated only by the intervention of the German Embassy, have convinced him that in the way of side-walk excitement Moscow has nothing on Chicago.

STRAY DOGS GET THEIR DAY

Taxi Rides and Sun Ray Treatment.

Stray dogs in Chicago are to ride in taxi-cabs and have sun-ray treatment in future. A wealthy widow who died recently left \$250,000 to the Chicago Anti-Cruelty Society for this purpose.

Arrangements have now been made with a taxi-cab company to carry injured animals to central headquarters in cases of emergency.

To-day's Thought.

Some work so hard that they cannot play while others play so hard they cannot work.

Ten Years Ago.

(From the "China Mail" of January 18, 1922.)

To-day's dollar is worth 2/7 1/2.

As a result of an unfortunate accident on Pokfulam Road yesterday afternoon, Miss Barber, of the Founding Home, is now in the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a broken arm and other injuries. Miss Barber was driving in a riksha down the steep incline near the University Recreation Ground, when the coolie making a sharp turn, did not make a wide enough curve. The vehicle got out of control and overturned, throwing Miss Barber out heavily on the road. The coolie received only small bruises.

WOMAN TOURS THE WORLD ALONE

Fulfilling a Thirst for First-Hand Knowledge of People.

A KIDNAPPING ATTEMPT.

Adventures at Mukden: Opium Smoke in Hong Kong.

A thirst for first-hand knowledge of people and things, particularly people, has taken Miss Winifred Howard, daughter of the Rev. Henry Howard, a clergyman of world-wide fame, wandering unaccompanied all over the globe. Below she tells in an interview some of the adventures she has had during her tour.

When the wanderlust first urged me to start out, people said it was not to be thought of. You see, my father is the Pastor of the Fifth-avenue Presbyterian Church in New York, and my friends said I could not possibly do all the things I wanted to do without sort of compromising him.

But when I told my father I wanted to go to all the out-of-the-way places, and see all the things I ought not to see, he was most sporting about it. "You have to live your own life," he said, "and I am only sorry I can't come with you."

Only Woman On Board.

So I booked a passage on a British cargo ship sailing from New York. I was the only woman on board.

The officers were British, and there was one other passenger, a young fellow of about sixteen taking the trip for the good of his health.

The engineer officers and I made a bargain that I should undertake duties in the engine room in return for their escort at some of the ports, and I had the greatest fun getting thoroughly dirty in that engine room.

Day after day on the voyage to Panama I climbed into a boiler suit and went below to learn all about the duties of a "greaser," and I became so fascinated that I almost wished I had been born a boy and was going to be an engineer.

The officers challenged me to take the middle watch, and of course I accepted, and went right through with it at the second attempt.

Scuffle With Crowd.

It was in Panama that I met my first real adventure, when the men took me to see the native quarter.

My flowered cotton frock and bare head seemed to arouse the resentment of the Spanish, negro and half-caste population, and something like a riot resulted, especially when one of the local ladies thought I might become a source of competition, and tried to tear my hair off.

The men were able to fend off the infuriated woman, and we got away all right.

From Panama we worked across to San Pedro, and then to Manila. In the latter place I attended the famous Santa Anna cabaret, which is the resort of all sailors when a ship is in port.

I was interested to see that though the place was divided into halves by a curtain to separate the whites from the blacks, white men were not bound by that rule. They could go anywhere in the place, and passed freely between the two sections.

Laying-out The "Dead."

Manila, of course, is not dry, and they are used to the sailor enjoying himself.

There are wide lawns where they lay-out the "dead" to sober up before they return to their ships. I rows and rows of officers and men laid out there, just like tin soldiers.

Hong Kong, our next port, stands out in my mind as the place where I had my one and only opium smoke and tasted my first real Chinese dinner.

The first was a disappointment, but the dinner was wonderful. Both experiences were at a real Chinese hotel at West Point, where the stevedores entertained the officers of my ship and me in right royal fashion.

When dinner was cleared away a troupe of beautiful singing girls came in. They wore long, tight gowns, with high collars and tightly fitting sleeves.

Their singing voices spoiled the effect, and I liked them best when they just talked and flirted with the men.

Shanghai I thought the worst place I had ever seen. All the time

I had the impression of evil, and felt that anything might happen to me.

Around Peking, to which I journeyed alone, the atmosphere was quite different, and I felt absolutely secure.

The ship was waiting for me at Dairen, and when I set off to travel across Manchuria to reach it the troubles were just starting there.

I travelled in a troop train, chock-a-block with Chinese soldiery setting off for Mukden, and it was quite a comfort to find the next carriage was full of British Tommies going up to Summer camp. They came and talked to me and smoked my cigarettes, and gave me a wonderful feeling of safety.

At Mukden I had some three and a half hours to wait, and in setting off to see the town I very nearly got kidnapped.

The riksha boy went right past one hotel where he had been instructed to take me, and declined to stop until he reached a huge compound in the coolies' quarters, where he pulled up at what I afterwards learned was a house where many women had disappeared.

The Rescuer. Having nothing whatever with which to defend myself, not even a hatpin, I declined to get down, and he declined just as firmly to take me anywhere else.

I felt just an Edgar Wallace heroine, but, thought I, "There is no hand-me hero to come and rescue me."

But a rescuer did appear in the person of a little Japanese who happened to speak English.

He kicked that coolie until he picked up the shafts and took me off to the hotel, and it was only when I got there that I realised how utterly alone I was.

Not a soul knew I was in Mukden, and I could have disappeared without trace.

In spite of the somewhat unpleasant experience I determined to see something of the surroundings of the town, and got a taxi-driver to take me out.

Taxi-Driver's Songs.

When a tyre "went" in a lonely lane miles away I thought this was another attempt at a hold-up, but it was not.

The driver found a coolie, sent him off for a relief car, and sang me pretty little Chinese songs to while away the time. But I was very glad to get back to the station in time for my train.

Mukden is far too much like a western town, but the mixture of races makes the most interesting gathering in the world. People from all the continents rub shoulders in its streets, and one can hear every language of the world.

Dairen was the scene of a little adventure which is worth mentioning, although I was not personally concerned in it, because it shows how jumpy the Japanese were even at that time.

My youthful fellow passenger and one of the apprentices set off to climb a small mountain some five miles from the port. As the day was warm they discarded coats.

Half-way up the mountain they found themselves surrounded by

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

Opened with a Subdued Tone.

PRICES UNALTERED.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange today states:—

In spite of the fall in exchange the market opened with a subdued tone, but prices were unaltered.

Sales.

Banks, \$1,420.
Trams, \$22½.
Coments (combined), \$19¼.
Evos, Tls. 16.
Electrics, \$78.10.
Providents (old), \$5.35.

Buyers.

Benguets, \$11.85.
Hotels (old), \$15.10.
Evos, Tls. 16.
Singapore Tractions, 3/4.
Sinceres, \$15.

Hong Kong Government Loan, \$2½ per cent. premium.
Providents (old), \$5.30.
Providents (new), \$2.40.
Chinese Estates, \$95.
Chinn Lights, \$26.30.

Ropes, \$17¼.
Constructions (new), \$1.80.

Sellers.

Indo-Chinas (Pref.), \$45.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$32.
Electrics, \$79.
Entertainments (old), \$16½.
Raubs, \$39.
Hong Kong Lands, \$82¼.
Dairy Farms, \$30.

"OLD MOORE'S" PREDICTIONS.

Better Times For India And Britain.

Better times both for India and Great Britain are foreseen by that famous prophet "Old Moore," whose almanack for 1932 has been issued. He optimistically suggests that conditions in India are likely to be more settled during the coming year. The

author explains that Sagittarius, the ruling sign of 1932, is a sign of world trade, shipping expansion and the growth of international relations, and the next year will provide the first real glimpse of prosperity. He also predicts that during the year the spread of the occult will be unparalleled and there will be revolutionary discoveries in electricity and wireless.

At the end of May a "grave naval disaster" is predicted and soon after midsummer "there will be danger of hostilities in the Near East."

It is noteworthy that in the edition of the almanack published in the Summer of 1930 it was predicted that in October 1931 there would be "a political crisis of the first magnitude followed by the fall of the Government, and a General Election, in which a new national party will be returned."

"I should think you like prison," said Mr. Hay Halkett, at Marylebone police court, to George Weston, 67, a dealer, with no fixed home, who has spent about twenty-five years in prison since 1904, and who, pleading guilty to theft, was now sentenced to six months' hard labour and an additional three months on non-payment of a £50 fine.

Japanese soldiers and arrested on a charge of espionage.

Court-Martial: Release. The Japanese were convinced they had been taking photographs of the munitions dump on the hill, and had discarded their coats with the pictures in the pockets when in danger of arrest.

The commander of the district was sent for and that boys were put on trial by court-martial, and in the meantime a whole regiment was out searching for the evidence.

Of course they could not find any, and the boys had to be released, and the little officer looked as mad as a hatter at having to let them go.

THREE HUSBANDS AT 27

"I have heard many sad cases during the ten years I have sat in this seat of justice, but I have never heard a sadder case than this," remarked the Recorder, Sir Ernest Wild, K.C., at the Old Bailey in passing a nominal sentence of four days' imprisonment on Mabel Rose Silver, aged 27, who pleaded guilty to a charge of double bigamy.

Mrs. Silver would, it was explained, at once be released.

It was stated that owing to unhappy home surroundings the woman ran away when she was 19 and married a man who, it was alleged, suffered from mental trouble, and told her to go.

"Bad Luck."

She then went through a form of marriage with a man who was twice convicted of poisoning. Finally she met and married a third man, with whom she was living happily.

POSED AS ROYAL PRINCE ARREST OF NOTORIOUS CROOK.

Belgian "Raffles."

Stephen Otto, one of the most resourceful and talented of international rogues, has been arrested at Graz on a charge of fraud, while posing as an Englishman. "George Shelking."

This Belgian "Raffles" has perpetrated an amazing series of audacious coups. He speaks six languages fluently, is young, handsome, and has great charm of manner.

He was the hero of a famous episode in 1919 at the beginning of the Rhineland occupation, when, as Otto de Berney, he decorated the American Commander-in-Chief, Gen. Allen, at Coblenz, with the highest Belgian Order.

Audacious Spoofs. Otto first announced by letter that a special emissary of the King of the Belgians, M. de Berney, was bringing the Cross of the Order of Leopold specially to Coblenz, the American general headquarters.

A full parade was held of thousands of troops, before whom the swindler solemnly affixed the Cross to Gen. Allen's breast.

As A King's Son. A banquet was given by the general in Otto's honour. But when he left the staff officers found that he had made a big haul of valuables and money from their quarters. To prevent Gen. Allen being exposed to ridicule the Belgian Government promptly sent him a genuine Cross of the Order of Leopold.

Before fooling Gen. Allen, Otto had stolen from several British officers' messes at Cologne, where he had been an honoured guest. He carried several other coups as "Duke of Tervuren." As a son of King Albert he decorated the Sultan of Morocco with the Order of Leopold, at the same time relieving him of valuable jewellery.

In June, 1925, also as a son of the King of the Belgians, he arrived in Berlin and ordered a whole floor of an hotel to be reserved for his suite, which was to follow. A special police guard was supplied for this international criminal.

Continental dye manufacturers, hit by British competition, have made overtures with a view to agreement.

Meetings have been held during the last few days between representatives of the Continental producers and Imperial Chemical Industries of which Sir Harry McGovern is President.

Substantial progress has been made towards the conclusion of a general agreement.

This development is significant of the growth of the British industry, whose competition has hitherto been scouted by the German and other producers.

Going off the gold standard has given Britain a big advantage in the last three months in competition with German, Swiss and other manufacturers.

British exports of dyestuffs for the first nine months of this year show considerable improvement, while those of other countries have fallen.

British dye manufacture is a protected industry. Its development has taken place under cover of the Dyestuffs Act passed some ten years ago.

Dye users have not been enthusiastic about the measure, as many complained—particularly in the early stages—that their choice was restricted and their costs increased.

Whether the prestige now secured by the industry is due to that measure or to the enterprise of Imperial Chemical Industries is a matter on which opinion is still divided.

THE BEST COFFEE.

After luncheon one day the conversation turned to coffee, for my companion was a connoisseur on the subject, and, having travelled the world far and wide, has brought back, at one time and another, samples from almost every quarter of the globe where coffee grows. From him I heard an expression of opinion which, in times such as these, can hardly be too widely known. "I have just found the best coffee I have ever tasted," he observed. "It comes from Kenya." East Africa is not, of course, the only part of the British Empire from which we import coffee. But it should be interesting to many of its drinkers to know that they can have the best in the world and support an Empire trade at the same time, writes "Peterborough" in the Daily Telegraph.

THE BOY WHO ATE 32 CRUMPETS.

Now He Is At Cambridge—But His Record Stands.

An Evening News correspondent writes: I made my way to Lancing College to find the boy who, according to Mr. C. H. Blakiston, the headmaster, created a record at the college by eating no fewer than 32 crumpets at one sitting.

But I found that this mighty record is not a new one: it was established in 1928—and has stood fast against the attacks of Lancing scholars ever since.

And the boy who made the record is now at Cambridge—although whether Cambridge bakers have met with an increased demand for crumpets during the last three years I do not know.

Lancing boys, however, have by no means abandoned hope of breaking this rare college record. Several boys had attempted eating two dozen crumpets at a sitting—only to fail on the last lap.

When I saw Mr. Blakiston I asked him whether the record was achieved in some competition. "Oh, goodness, no," he said. "It was a wet day and two or three boys had sat down to a pile of crumpets. One of them ate 32."

"His name? No, I'm afraid it is not for me to give away a secret he might now prefer to be kept."

And A Banana Record. Mr. Morris Thomas, known to the boys as "Old Moss," of the school tuckshop, has catered for the wants of the boys of the college for the past 37 years.

He has a remarkable memory for faces of old boys, but he could not remember the boy who ate 32 crumpets.

"Boys eat so many crumpets," he said, "that 32 would probably pass unnoticed."

"But I do remember, however, the boy who ate 29 bananas at one sitting."

"That was nearly 20 years ago, and his name was Irby. They were Canary bananas, but, nevertheless, I think his record still stands."

"And the way they eat toffee! Last term the boys ate no less than two cwt."

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BEEVEE ERAS
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INWARD MAILS.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19.
Calcutta and Straits Kut Sang
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia
(London, Dec. 28) Porthos
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20.
Saigon Athos II.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21.
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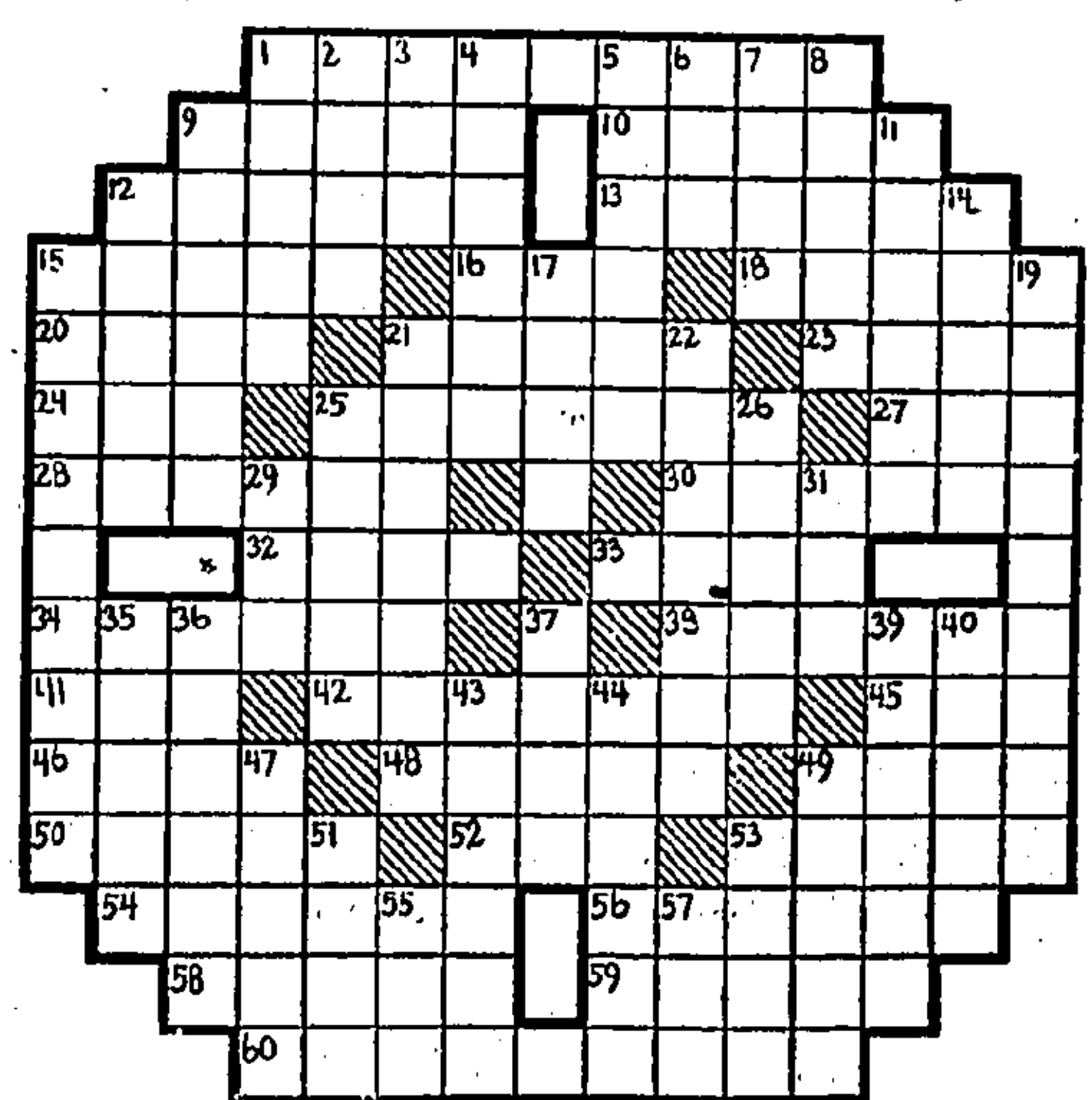
MONDAY, JANUARY 18.
Amoy and Wuchow Anhui 3.30 p.m.
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America and Europe via Van-
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Letters 5 p.m.
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 19.
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Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
E. & S. Africa and Europe via
Marseilles Tjibadak 9.30 a.m.
Porthos
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G.P.O.
Registration Jan. 19, 10 a.m.
Letters Noon
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and
Huphong Tonkin Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ching 1 p.m.
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Letters 2.30 p.m.
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Kut Sang 5 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL.
1-Saves
9-Tail
10-Having care
12-Coats of arms
13-The head of a
clipping-spear (Her.)
15-Slumber
16-Sleeveless garment
of Arabia
18-City on the shore of
Dead Sea (Bib.)
20-Thin
21-A catkin
22-To wrinkle (Prov.
Eng.)
24-Consumes
25-Not seeming to
grow old
27-A case (Obs.)
28-A banner
30-Foreigners
32-Part of a plant
33-Rough hard
particles
34-Aquatic
35-A crystalline
saccharine
compound
41-Organ of hearing
42-Elding (Scott.)
43-Anglican (abbr.)
45-Walk
46-Large artery
48-Trigonometrical
term
HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
50-A battle
52-Antarctic circle
(abbr.)
53-More wan
54-One of the sea-
nymphs (Gr.
Myth.)
56-A political
hanger-on
58-A river on which
Paris lies
59-Wandered from the
truth
60-A type of drum
VERTICAL
1-To dress with the
back
2-Fill down
3-Combining form.
Outside
4-An East Indian herb
containing oily
seeds
5-To pace again
6-Variant (abbr.)
7-Greek god of love
8-A gentleman (Sp.)
9-Conclude
10-Fire from direct
14-Indian chief
15-Friend of the
"white man"
VERTICAL (Cont.)
15-Wakeful
17-Inventor of the
telephone
19-One sent on an
errand
21-Condition of a
patient unable to
recognize things
(Pathol.)
22-Feminine of tear
26-Ago (Poet.)
28-Film
29-Irregular (abbr.)
31-Japanese
statesman
33-Consumed
35-Sharp mountain
ridges (Fr.)
37-Seaport in Granada,
Spain
39-Navigated
40-Hidden
43-A stevedore
44-Fall on irritation of
the skin
47-Small openings in
the skin
49-Same as Jerusalem
51-No (German)
53-South American
country
55-Girl's name
57-Mistake

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue, along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

CULTURE OF THE EAST.

Mistakes Missionaries Make.

VARYING STANDARDS.

It was from the point of view of a social anthropologist that Miss Camilla Wedgwood discussed at a lunch-time meeting at Friends House the mistakes that missionaries make.

Miss Wedgwood, who is a daughter of Colonel Josiah Wedgwood, M.P., has been for three years on the staff of Sydney University, and is now research assistant in anthropology to Professor Malinowski at London University.

It was clear, she said, that in the past the English had made great mistakes in relation to the people of different culture from their own with whom they had established contact. But it was now impossible to withdraw from that contact, and the question was how to maintain it with as little trouble as possible.

The reason for disharmony was largely the Englishman's own fault. Europeans suffered from what could only be described as an acute cultural conceit. They were perfectly certain that theirs was the best possible civilisation, and what was right for Europe was right for the East.

Foolish Assumption. They believed that the coloured races had been created to be servants of the white, and that it was a duty to make them as much like the whites as possible while keeping them in their place. But a feeling was growing that other races had something to contribute to the world, and that the ideal was to establish a new relationship on the basis of co-operation.

Miss Wedgwood suggested that if many well-meant efforts in this direction failed disastrously it was partly because of the foolish assumption that what they did was right and partly because they thought they could govern people without troubling to learn anything about them.

They did not realise that interference with any part of an alien culture must have a widespread effect on the whole system. There was no single element in a culture, she said, which had got some function to fulfil, a function wider than the immediate purpose of the custom.

Some Mistakes. "In some places," she went on, "very well-meaning missionaries are trying on moral grounds to suppress native dances without considering their economic and social aspects, the opportunities they afford for people to meet or the exercise and relaxation they afforded. Deprived of these dances the community may relapse into boredom."

She thought it as foolish to interfere with such customs as it would be for a foreigner to try to stamp out the Christmas festival by force, forgetting the wide ramifications of Christmas in our social and economic life.

Another mistake was to forget that every culture had its own standard of right and wrong. Polygamy, for instance, was opposed to European cultural tradition and did not fit in with their economic and social system, whereas it did fit into the African environment. There was something to be said for the custom in Africa of a man marrying his brother's widow, for the widow, who would otherwise have no social position, was safeguarded by her second marriage.

Ancestor Worship. In Africa, again, where ancestor-worship was one of the stabilising influences in the community, it was of vital importance that a man should have sons to carry on the cult and that he should go on marrying till he had them.

It was no use trying to impose changes on a community from without. If changes were desirable there must first be a change in the attitude of the people themselves about it and a desire on their part to give up the old customs. Before that was done they must carefully study the position and learn what part these customs played in the preservation of social stability. Miss Wedgwood suggested that the function of the missionary was to do everything possible to ease the strain of the inevitable clash of cultures as it came about, and also to help the two races to understand each other.

A notice just placed in the porch of St. Michael's, the parish church of Highgate, near the top of Highgate Hill, reads: "On a level with the crosses of St. Paul's Cathedral."

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations, Jan. 18, 1932.

Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, January 26, 1932.

STOCK	Buy- ers	Sell- ers	Sales	Notes	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1420	...	Dec.	(Final) 2 1/2% (1931-32) Pending
(Loans Reg.)	1004
Chartered Bank	112	...	Dec.	Int. 7% Ann. to 1/2% 1931
Mercantile Bk., A&B.	174
(C. L.)	174	...	Dec.	Int. 7% 1/2% 1931
Bank of Asia	175	...	Dec.	8% for 1931
Insurances.						
Canton Ins.	1850	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Union Ins.	4074	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
China Underwriters	400	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
China Fire Ins.	950	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. Fire Ins.	1950	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Shipping.						
Douglases	284	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931
H. K. Steamboats	24	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Indo-China (Pref.)	45	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(Def.)	39	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Shells Bearer	407	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Union Waterboats	26	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Mining.						
Benguet	1125	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Kailan Mining Ad. S.	3920	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Langkats (Single)	4	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
S'hai Exploration Tls.	210	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Loans	21	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Raub	59	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Venezuela Gold Fields	2	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves	169	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. & W. Docks	20	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
South Ch. Motors (A)	12	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(B)	12	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
China Providents (old)	535	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	530	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Hongkew Tls.	220	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
N. Engineering Tls.	91	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Shanghai Docks	91	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hls. (old)	1610	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	1400	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. Lands	892	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Shanghai Lands	30	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Humphreys	19	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	172	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. Realities	1215	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Chinese Estates	95	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cottons	16	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Shanghai Cotton	78	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Zoong Sings	114	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	224	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Peak Tram (old)	1580	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	9	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Star Ferries	96	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Yau-mai Ferries	26	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
China Light	4080	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. Electric	79	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Macao	33	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Sandakan Light	48	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. Tels. fully paid	284	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
part paid	16	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
China Buses	16	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
S'port Traction (Ord.)	171	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(Pref.)	171	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Industrials.						
Malayan Sugars	89	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Cald. Macg. Ord.	14	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(Pref.)	101	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Canton Ice	101	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Cemets (new)	101	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(old)	600	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	600	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. Ropes	171	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
China Agriculture	101	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farm	80	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Watsons	1630	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Der A Wings	1	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Lane Crawfords (old)	11	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	110	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Mackintosh	19	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Sinccres	16	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Wm. Powells	860	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
M. Greyhounds	10	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Miscellaneous.						
H. K. Amusement	1030	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
C. Entertainment (old)	101	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	16	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
Ch. Entertainment	10	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. C. Truitions (old)	555	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
(new)	190	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
B. Ind. G. Bonds	645	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931
H. K. Govt. Loans	244	...	Dec.	(Final) 5% 1931

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*SUDAN	8,000	5th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Havre, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CARTHAGE	15,000	12th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
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RANPURA	17,000	7th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CHITRAL	15,000	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANCHI	17,000	4th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
NALDERA	16,000	18th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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TANDA	7,000	5th Feb.	
CARTHAGE	15,000	12th Feb.	
*BURDWAN	8,000	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	26th Feb.	
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She sailed for New York, and she was due to leave that port on December 3, after embarking between 300 and 400 sunseekers, a large proportion of whom are wealthy Americans. Some are millionaires seeking relaxation from the worries of the financial and economic situation.

Christmas tide was to be spent in the Holy Land, New Year's Eve in Cairo. Japan will be visited during the famous Blossom Festival.

Before she returns to Southampton on April 15, the Empress will have steamed 35,781 miles.

The Empress of Britain is easily the largest vessel which has ever been called upon to circle the globe. She is of 42,348 tons, whereas the largest liner previously to undertake such a trip was the Red Star flagship Belgenland, of 27,182 tons. (The Empress of Britain is expected in Hong Kong in a couple of weeks).

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Per P. & O. s.s. Karmala on January 16:—
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STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Yokohama on January 16 (Sat.) at noon, left Yokohama on January 17 (Sun.) at 8 a.m., and is due at Hong Kong on January 23 (Sat.) at 7 a.m. She leaves Hong Kong for Manila on January 23 (Sat.) at 5 p.m.

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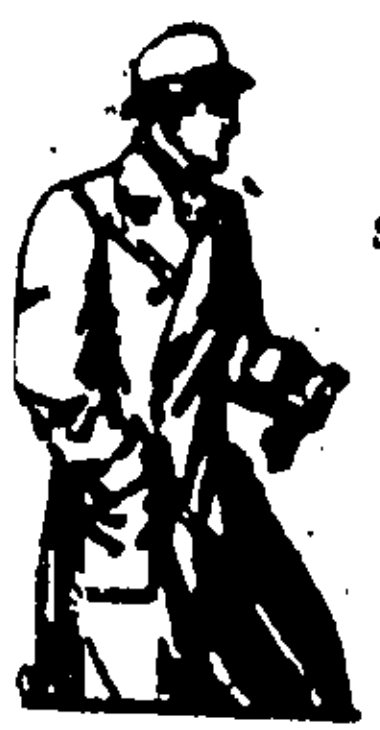
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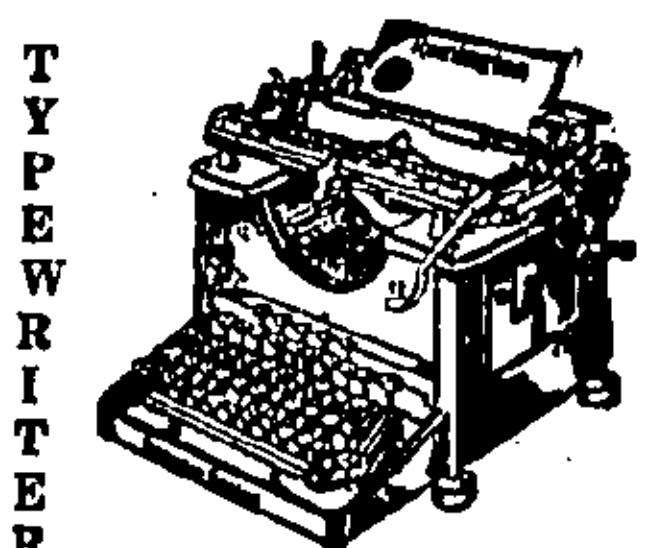
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A 48-HOUR WEEK BEHIND
THE COUNTERSELECT COMMITTEE'S CHARTER
FOR ASSISTANTS.

Legal limitation of shop assistants' normal hours of work to 48 a week is recommended by the Select Committee appointed by the Labour Government last year.

The hours are exclusive of meal-times, and provision is made for overtime at special rates.

The chairman of the committee was Mr. Charles Buxton, and other members were Major Braithwaite, Mr. Rhys Davies, Colonel Gault, Mrs. Manning, Mr. Philip Oliver, Sir Gervais Bentoul, Mr. Arthur Taylor and Mr. Womersley.

Excluded from the recommendations are:—
(a) Employees in hotels and boarding-houses other than those covered by the provisions of the Shops Acts, 1912 to 1928;
(b) Employees of wholesale market trades;
(c) Persons employed wholly or mainly in canvassing for orders or collecting payments.

The provision as to overtime is that for hours in excess of 48 a week a fixed amount of overtime should be allowed throughout the trade, and should be paid for at not less than one and a quarter times the rate for normal hours.

Local and national advisory boards will decide in what trade overtime shall be allowed.

Board Membership.
The local boards are to be appointed by the local authorities, and to consist of equal numbers of representatives of employers and employees, with a chairman appointed by the local authorities.

The national board, to which either party may appeal, would consist of (1) equal numbers of employers and employees, (2) a chairman, and (3) a limited number of other persons with special knowledge of the distributive trades.

Any decision by a local board would be subject to approval by the appropriate national board.

The 48-hour week and overtime

provisions are a majority decision, supported by six of the 11 members of the committee.

The minority agree, however, that the hours of young persons employed as shop assistants should be limited to 48 a week.

(At present the hours of young persons are limited to 74 and there is no legal limit for adults.)

Health and Welfare.

Important recommendations on health and welfare are unanimously made by the committee. It proposes that provisions similar to those in Part I. of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, and section 119 (powers of inspectors) the same Act should be extended to shops and warehouses.

That would give power to enforce in shop conditions similar to those prescribed by the Act in respect of sanitary accommodation, heating, ventilation, and lighting.

It is further advised that notices should be posted in every shop setting forth the law with regard to the provision of seats for the assistants, and stating that the assistants are intended to use them whenever possible.

Early Closing.
Although early closing was not within its terms of reference, the committee insists strongly on the need of strict enforcement of the law on that subject and in the provisions as to meal-times and half holidays.

The full committee also holds that the time has come for a still further limitation of shop hours, and it suggests that the present law should be amended to enable local authorities to make closing orders for an earlier hour than 7 p.m.

Enforced Sunday closing of shops is supported; so is a restricted statutory regulation of street trading.

The recommendations on shop hours, it is observed, are not regarded as in any way superseding the need for a general limitation of the hours of shop assistants.

WATER RETURN.

All the Reservoirs on
Island Below Level.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on January 1, 1932, were as under:—

City and Hill District.	1931	1932
Tytam	23' 8" B	9' 2" B
Tytam Byewash	21' 4" B	23' 10" B
Tytam Intermediate	0' 2" B	20' 0" B
Tytam Tuk	17' 1" B	16' 9" B
Wong Nei Chung	17' 8" B	15' 4" B
Pokfulum	17' 1" B	10' 4" B
Aberdeen Upper	—	10' 8" B
Aberdeen Lower	—	—

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow".]
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1931	1932
Tytam	212.98	311.08
Tytam Byewash	2.18	1.18
Tytam Intermediate	194.96	79.10
Tytam Tuk	1,036.33	1,042.01
Wong Nei Chung	11.66	18.48
Pokfulum	29.94	48.68
Aberdeen Upper	—	123.14
Aberdeen Lower	—	—

Total 1,487.04 1,613.53

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December, 1931.

	1930	1931
Consumption	276.89	344.60*
Estimated population	448,900	381,750
Consumption per head per day	19.9	29.1

* Includes 66.14 million gallons from Mainland.

December, 1930—Constant Supply throughout the City, Hill & High Level districts during the whole month with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where a constant street fountain supply was operated from December 1 to 31, 1930.

December, 1931—Constant Supply throughout the City, Hill & High Level Districts during the whole month.

Kowloon.

	1931	1932
Kowloon Main	2' 10" B	L.
Kowloon Byewash	—	43' 10" B
Shak Lai Pui	—	—
Shing Mun Reservoir	1' 1" B	2' 10" B
Shing Mun Reception	1' 8" B	3' 1" B

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1931	1932
Kowloon Main	823.59	362.50
Kowloon Byewash	—	51.25
Shak Lai Pui	—	—
Shing Mun Reservoir	111.67	104.78
Shing Mun Reception	26.75	20.43

Total 433.93 359.59

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December, 1931.

	1930	1931
Consumption	188.38	143.08
Estimated population	175,300	204,200

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\$2,500,000 Decrease in Takings
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Pawnshops are the latest sufferers from the world slump in the Dutch East Indies.

Official figures show that the revenue from them has decreased by \$2,500,000 at par during the past year.

All of the pawnshops are controlled by the Government, who have discharged many native employees.

Business inefficiency, amounts almost to a crime against the community.—Sir Francis Goodenough.

Consumption per head per day 25.0 15.6

The reports of the Government Bacteriologist and Analyst show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall recorded by Royal Observatory from January 1 to December 31, 1930, 96.09; January 1 to December 31, 1931, 84.29.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

Jan. 12, 1932, 1931, 1914.

Cts. Cts. Cts.

Butcher Meat.

	1932	1931	1914
Beef Sirloin	28	24	13
Prime Cut	30	28	11
Corried	30	28	11
Roast	33	24	23
Breast	30	20	18
Soup	27	20	18
Steak	33	24	22
Steak Sirloin	46	30	35
Sausages	34	28	30
Subsidiary Brains	17	10	13
Tongue, fresh	60	60	60
Tongue, corned	60	60	60
Heart	12	18	14
Hump, Salt	24	18	14
Feet	13	10	13
Kidneys	15	10	13
Tail	27	20	22
Liver	24	18	14
Tripe	8	6	7
Calves Head & Feet	12	10	10
Mutton Chop	44	26	7
Leg	44	26	7
Shoulder	40	24	—
Saddle	44	—	—
Pigs Chiddings	30	27	—
Brains	18	15	—
Feet	30	15	18
Head	20	20	—
Heart	15	10	10
Kidneys	15	10	8
Liver	58	80	24
Pork Chop	38	25	23
Leg	40	—	—
Loin	44	60	70
Fat or Lard	25	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	90	60	70
Heart	12	8	7
Kidneys	15	12	10
Liver	45	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	25	25	22
Suet, Beef	30	20	18
Mutton	36	36	36
Veal	23	20	20
Sausages	28	—	—

No. 1 Fish.

	1932	1931	1914
Barbel	52	16	24
Bream	32	20	16
Canton Fresh Water	32	—	—
Carp	35	18	18
Catfish	36	16	27
Codfish	36	12	9
Crabs	56	16	17
Cuttle Fish	26	23	26
Dab	28	16	17
Dace	46	23	16
Dog Fish	22	10	—
Eels, Conger	64	10	8
Fresh Water	70	16	—
Yellow	52	10	8
Frogs	84	26	30
Garoupa	110	32	25
Gudgeon	24	40	30
Herrings	82	12	18
Halibut	88	13	23
Labrus	82	13	15
Loach	80	22	13
Lobsters	76	62	24
Macrurus	46	32	21
Monk Fish	46	20	20
Mullet	36	13	2
Oysters	48	12	2
Parrot Fish	26	14	9
Perch	28	30	15
Pike	44	16	9
Plaice	54	36	20
Pomfret, White	56	38	36
Pomfret, Black	44	36	45
Prawns	80	10	14
Ray	26	10	14
Rock Fish	28	13	18
Roach	40	22	10
Salmon	58	66	30
Shark	20	8	10
Skate	20	10	10
Shrimps	62	38	30
Snapper	42	38	30
Soles	84	22	28
Tench	36	28	35
Turbot	86	12	12
Turtles, small fr. water	155	12	12

Poultry.

	1932	1931	1914
	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Chicken	70	30	31
Capon, Small	58	28	30
Capon, Large	62	28	30
Duck	45	22	21
Doves	22	21	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	38	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	40	25	30
Fowls, Canton	76	38	24
Fowls, Hainan	54	35	24
Geese	48	24	24
Geese, Canton	45	30	—
Holow	36	29	—
Turkey, Cook	78	61	45
Turkey, Hen	78	61	45
Phasant	48	28	—
Quail	30	—	—
Partridges	1.00	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds	杏仁	lb.	1.20	35	—
Apples (California) ..	金山苹果	"	24	26	—
Bananas (bride's)	高山香蕉	"	6	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	"	—	13	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	14	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12,	25	30
Lemons (American) ..	金山檸檬	each	12	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00	25	30
Oranges (Canton) ...	新會甜橙	"	20	—	—
Oranges	橙	"	18	—	15
Pears (Canton)	梨	"	38	—	—
Peanuts	花生	"	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large ..	紅柿	"	—	12	—
Plantain	蕉	"	—	8	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	15	12	6
Walnuts	胡桃	lb.	30	—	10
Grapes	合提子	"	60	—	—

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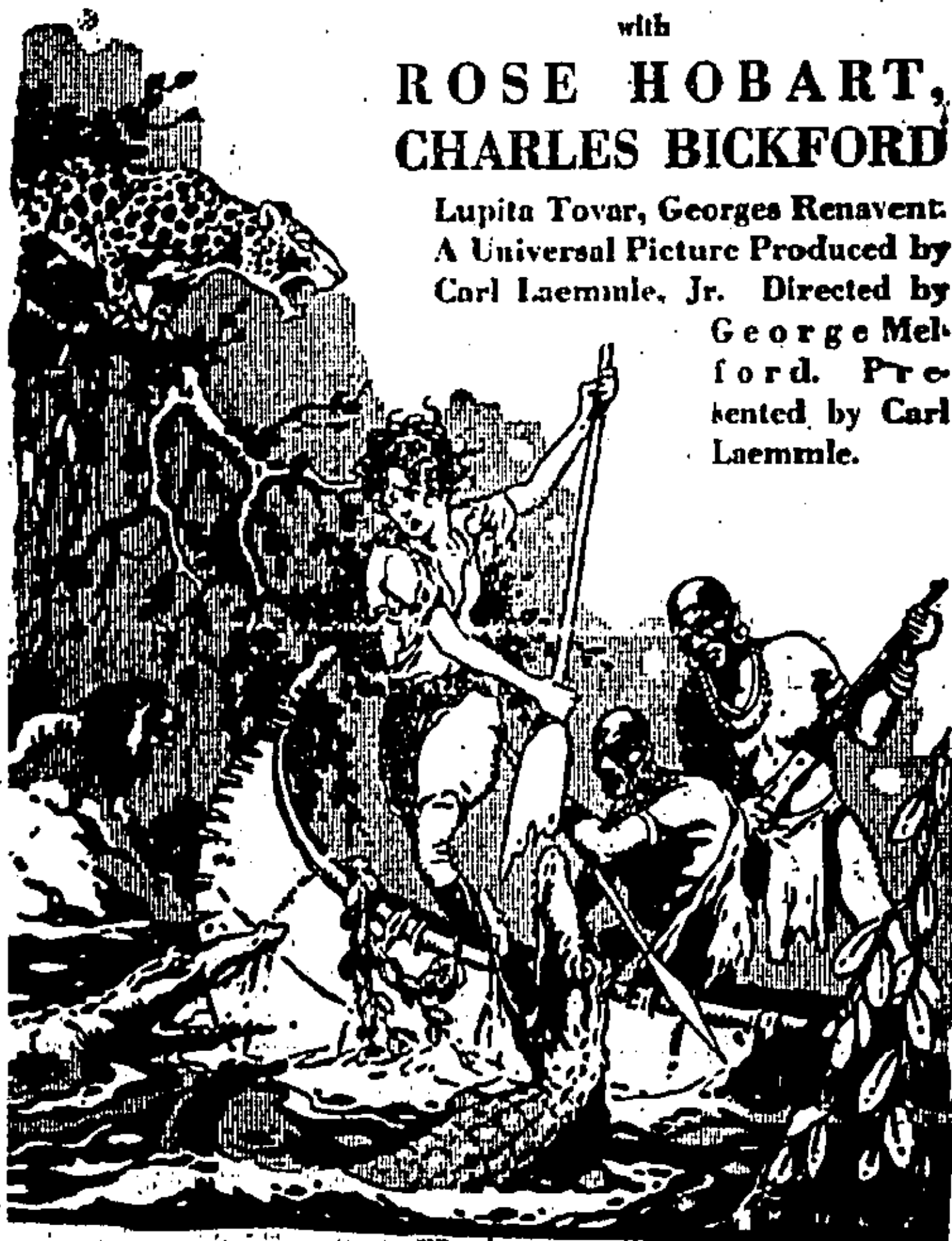
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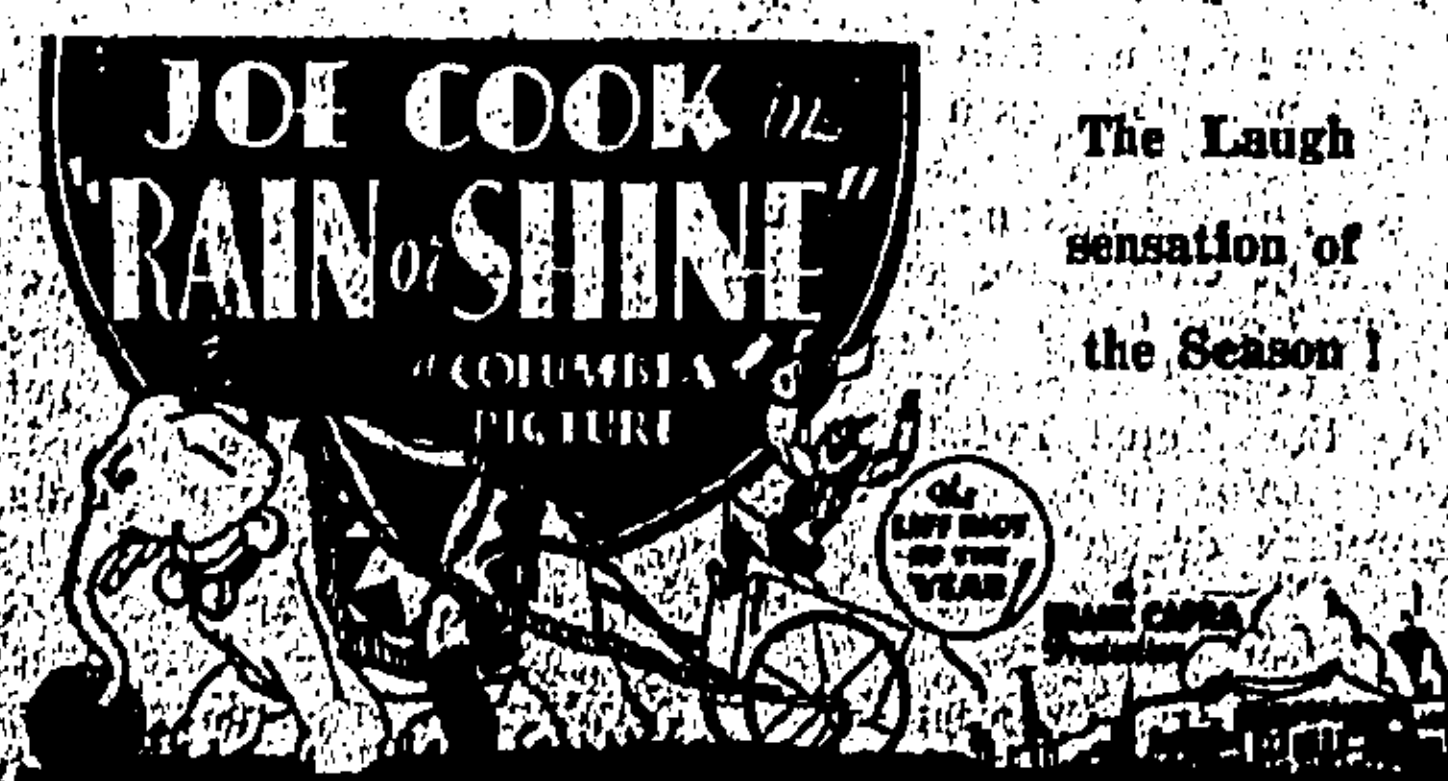
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Lausanne Conference.

The meeting on January 25, if it comes off at all, will not accomplish much, is the opinion held to-day in informed circles. The major issues are likely to be shelved, but an effort will be made to extend the Hoover Moratorium until next December.

Chiang to Return.

According to the China Press, Chiang Kai-shek and Wang Ching-wei have agreed to return to Nanking as soon as Hu Han-min joins them.

U.S. Note.

Replying to the Note, China, gives an undertaking against concluding irregular treaties with any Power.

The text of Japan's "coldly polite" reply appears on page 1 of this issue.

Both replies are regarded as satisfactory by the U.S.

Mississippi Floods.

The water is rising hourly over an area of 300,000 acres. Much damage has already been done and many rendered homeless, but, so far, no loss of life has been reported.

Manchuria.

China is now to invoke Article XVI. (Economic Sanctions) at the next League meeting, and it is likely she will sever diplomatic relations with Japan.

Another party of 32 Japanese, returning from Chini to Chinchow, has been wiped out by bandits.

An Old Lag.

First making his acquaintance with jail when 11 years of age, Chan Wing, who has been convicted no fewer than 31 times since, and has spent 18 years (half of his life) "inside," was, this morning, sentenced by Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell to 8 years' hard labour when he pleaded "guilty" at the Assizes to a charge of burglary in Mongkok.

NEWS TABLOIDS AND OVERNIGHT CABLES SUMMARISED.

Famous Circus Disbanded.

Bostock and Wombwells' Royal Menagerie, after an existence of 127 years, has ceased to exist.

Ghostly Railway Disaster.

One train ran into another near Moscow, on January 2. Sixty-eight persons were killed and 180 injured. Eleven persons have been arrested.

India.

The police at a small town in Bengal were obliged to open fire on a mob of stonethrowers, yesterday—one was killed and two injured. In spite of this incident and some trouble with picketers in Bombay, a general improvement in the situation is reported.

M. Briand.

The great French statesman has decided definitely to resign from office. His condition of health necessitates it.

Strikes in Spain.

A serious state of affairs is developing. Barcelona workers are going out on strike to-day, and a general strike throughout the country has been announced for January 25.

U.S. Slump.

Trade returns for last year reveal decreases of 35 and 30 per cent. in exports and imports as compared with 1930.

England Shaken.

Six violent earth tremors were felt, yesterday, in various parts of the country. The Manchester district suffered most.

Japan Replies to Britain.

Japan expressly disclaims territorial ambitions in Manchuria, and affirms her intention to respect the principles of the "open door" policy and the Nine-Power Treaty.

Britain's Motor Licences.

Fees collected over the period December 1930—November 1931 was over £28,000,000; exceeding by £300,000 the amount collected in the preceding twelve months.

U.S. Credit.

The House of Representatives has passed the Finance Corporation Reconstruction Bill, and the Corporation will at once begin to function.

Peak Tragedy.

A house-boy, employed in a household on The Peak, was found, this morning, with a stab wound. He died later. A wash amah has been taken into custody.

Fracas in Ship's Stokhold.

Two Chinese stokers were charged on two counts of assault at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, arising out of an incident which occurred in the stokehold of s.s. Empress of Asia, on December 20.

Reparations Conference.

The British Government is assuming that the Conference will be held on January 25.

The "Times," in a leader, hopes the new French Government will recognise the advisability of reaching an agreement in deliberation with other countries concerned.

Germany's "frozen" short-term credits totalling \$350,000,000, which fall due at the end of February, are now the subject of negotiations between Germany and foreign bankers.

Italian financial experts are now also taking a hand in this complicated problem; they have held conferences with British experts.

Through the League, Britain has appealed to the great gold-holding countries to take appropriate action to restore price levels.

GRIM DRAMA OF THE BUSH.

(Continued from Page 1.)

He feels that a gross injustice has been done and that the extermination of the offenders should be carried out without delay. He fails to stop for a moment and analyse the thoughts of the aborigines.

At the moment there are fifty thousand aborigines—the last remnant of the Stone Age people of Australia—clinging desperately to their tribal lands in North and Central Australia, where white big-game hunters are now sending out shooting expeditions.

The rest of the Continent is sparsely populated by aborigines—they have all withered and died at the white man's touch. The North is their only sanctuary and it now is being invaded. A land teeming with game—a veritable hunter's paradise—and the native's home.

The existence of these natives is dependent upon the wild life which abounds in the district and the advent of the white man with his well oiled barrels is a definite source of danger. Their future is in jeopardy and all because a little excitement is required by holiday makers.

It was stated officially some time ago that shooting would not be allowed on the blacks' hunting grounds, but that the game could be shot when off them, particularly when driven out by hunger and thirst. This, however, affords little protection.

With their lives and the lives of their families in danger can it be wondered at that there are one or two outrages perpetrated in the land where the bushes have ears which hear not and eyes which see not?

The blacks in the Hermit Hill district are the worst in the whole of Australia. They regard human life at a minimum. They familiarise themselves with the habits of the prospector and then swarm round him like angry bees at dawn, break his limbs, and leave him only to return in a day and fiendishly torture him. They are not cannibals—at least they do not touch white meat for to them it is too salty.

LEAGUE'S INQUIRY COMMISSION.

Geneva, January 7.
According to a statement issued by the League Secretariat, the five

WILL IT MEET?

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payments from the Allies fall due to the United States.—Reuter.

The Italian experts are now returning to Rome. It is probable they will visit Berlin later. They have already discussed matters in Paris.

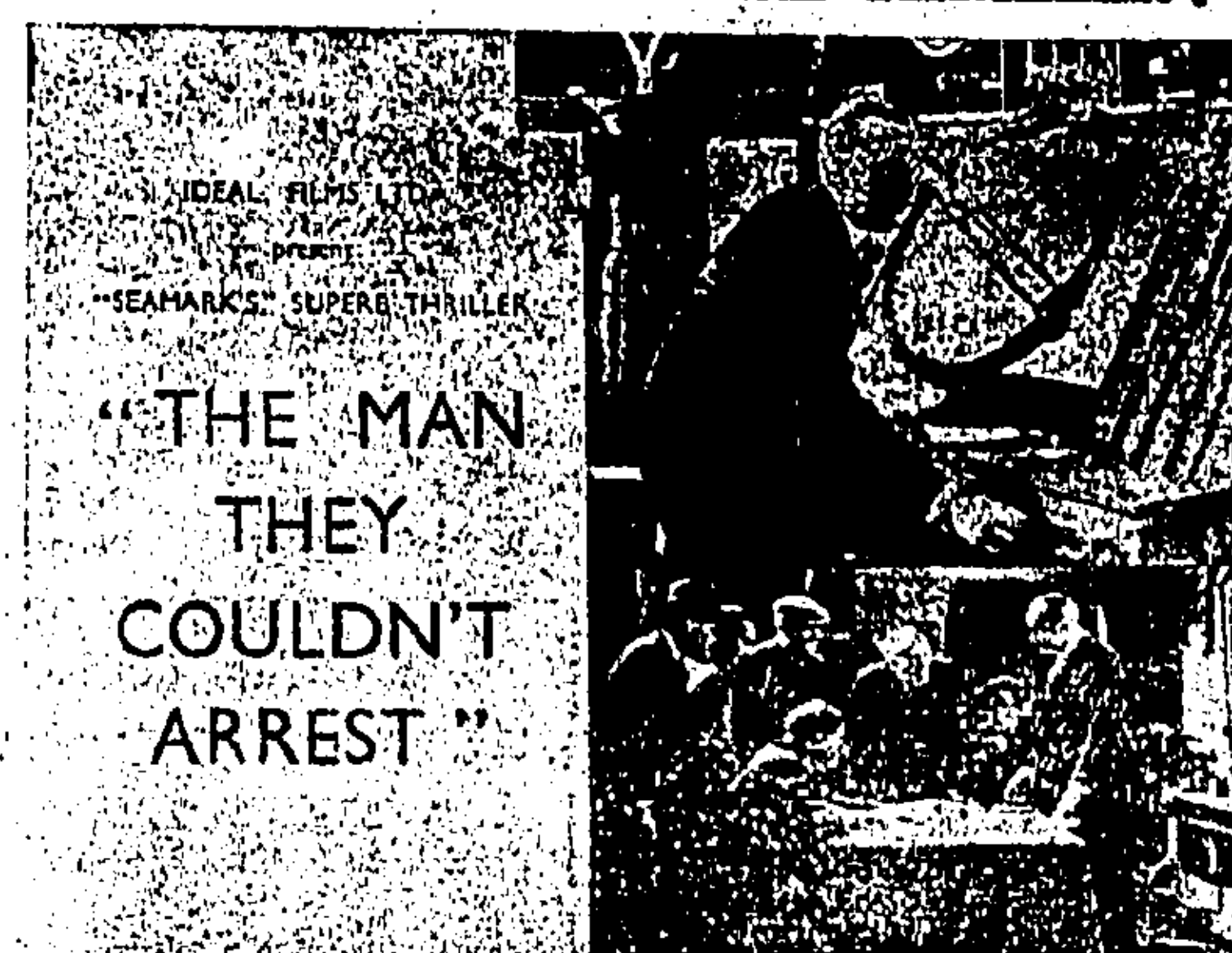
It is understood in political quarters that Italy and Britain are ready to grant Germany a longer moratorium, without consulting the United States, but France adamantly declines to forgo any of her "sacred rights" before the United States guarantees an equivalent renunciation of her dues.—Reuter.

Commissioners will be assisted in their labours by several permanent officials of the League, including Herr von Kotze of the political department, and M. R. Haas, the director of the department of communications, who is at present in the Far East. The latter will be attached to the Commission after its arrival in Manchuria.—Trans-Ocean Kuomin.

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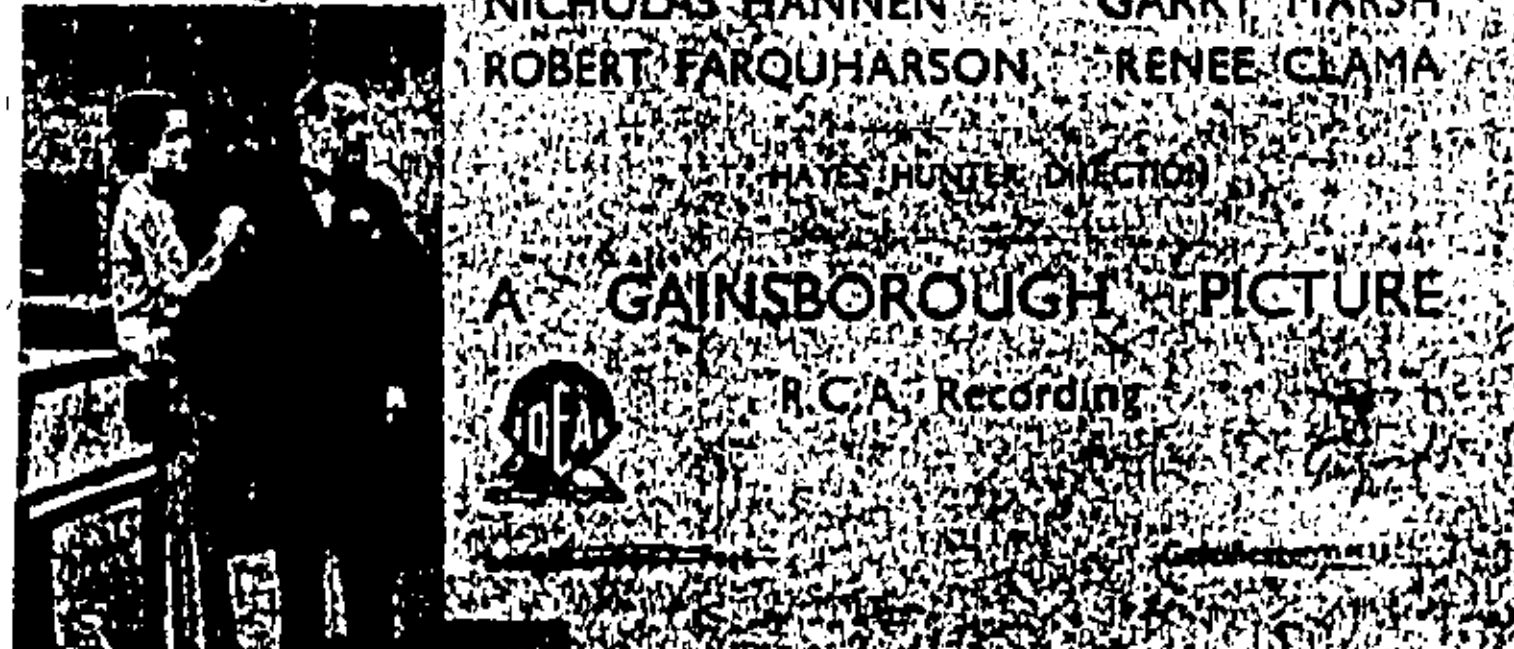
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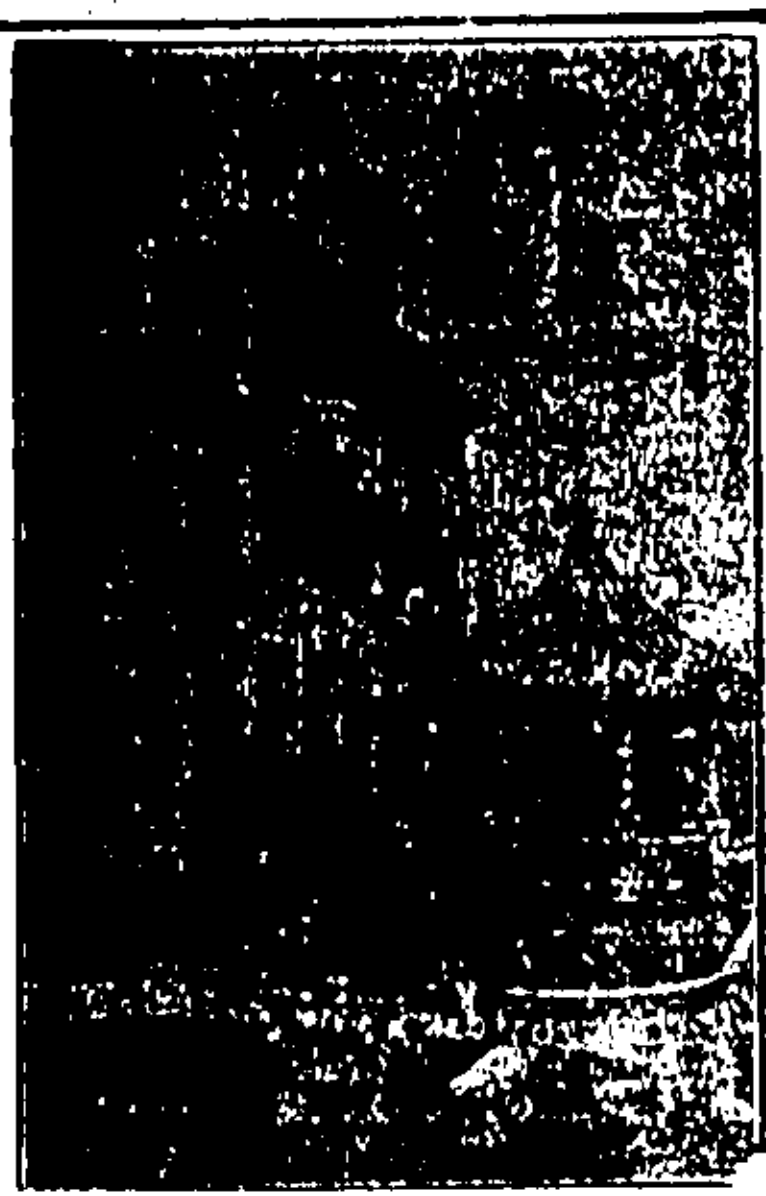


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With such fine actors as Hugh Wakefield and Gordon Harker, among others in a brilliant cast, it is hardly to be wondered at that "The Man They Couldn't Arrest" should be spoken of as one of the film triumphs of the season.

It was left to Gainsborough to provide the screen version of this "Seamark" thriller, and all who have discovered excitement in the novel will revel in the film story of a monocléd inventor-hero who provides Scotland Yard with a succession of surprises. The British thriller is now showing at the Queen Theatre.

"ANNABELLE'S AFFAIRS."

If Victor McLaglen is conceived, he is enough actor to conceal the fact. The well known screen star and exponent of robust screen roles is one of the hardest men to interview in Hollywood.

Brawny Vic, who is co-featured with Jeanette MacDonald in the Fox comedy, "Annabelle's Affairs," showing at the King's Theatre, has enjoyed a most colourful career, being a hero of three wars, a moderately successful miner, a wrestler and champion prize fighter in addition to playing in vaudeville and appearing with a medicine show, before going into pictures.

As champion heavyweight of Eastern Canada, he fought a no-decision bout with Jack Johnson, champion heavyweight of the world at the motion, and might have become champion himself had he been stuck to the fight game.

A cast of outstanding comedians supports the principals. It includes Roland Young, Ruth Warren, William Collier, Sen. Sam Hardy, George Andre Beranger, Joyce Compton and Sally Blane. Alfred Werker directed.

"EAST OF BORNEO."

A remarkable photoplay is "East of Borneo," produced by Universal and filmed partly in the picturesque jungles of Sumatra and the Malay Peninsula, among ancient ruins, which form the setting for the action of the drama, now at the Central Theatre.

For this picture, it is announced, is in no sense a travelogue, but a dramatic story which is filled with suspense and exciting action. The film tells the story of an American doctor who has literally buried himself in this wild region where he, the only white man in the entire countryside, is the personal physician of an Oriental rajah who rules his people from a ruined castle. Into this desolate spot comes the divorced wife of the doctor, her re-kindled love causing her to follow him half way around the world. It is when her late husband spurns her and the rajah casts covetous eyes on the beautiful white woman that the drama reaches its climax, while the thunderous eruption of a volcano adds terror to the scene.

The cast of "East of Borneo" is headed by Rose Hobart and Charles Bickford, and also includes Georges Renavent, Lupita Tovar, Noble Johnson and many hundreds of native Malays.

"BAD GIRL."

Sally Eilers, who plays the title role in "Bad Girl," Fox Film version of Vina Delmar's celebrated novel of mother love, coming to the King's Theatre very shortly, is a New Yorker by birth, as is James

Dunn who plays the young husband in this gripping story of a typical New York couple.

Having finished her education at Fairfax High School, Hollywood, it was natural that Sally should turn from thoughts of a secretarial career to the more colourful and romantic one of screen acting.

Her big chance came when she visited the Mack Sennett Studio with Carole Lombard. She attracted the attention of Sennett, who was seeking a girl to take the place of Alice Day who had walked out on him following an argument over Miss Day wearing men's pants in the picture. Sally agreed to wear the pants and the public agreed that she was a hit in "The Good-bye Kiss."

She was chosen as a Wampas Baby Star in 1928, an event which she considers equal in importance to her first role as a definite step in her career.

Another is that of her marriage in June, 1930, to Hoot Gibson.

Rowland Brown chose her for the feminine lead in "Quick Millions." Since then she has appeared in "The Black Camel," "The Holy Terror," and "Bad Girl," her current success.

"HUSH MONEY."

There are supposed to be many ways of breaking into the movies, Hardie Albright, co-featured with Joan Bennett in the Fox drama, "Hush Money," coming to the King's Theatre on Thursday, used what is probably the best method.

It came about when Albright was playing the juvenile lead in "Young Sinners" on the stage. A Fox Films scout saw him and made a mental note of the fact that he was perfectly suited to the part. He also noted that Albright—youthful, five feet eleven inches, 160 pounds, with light brown hair and blue eyes—was typical of modern American youth.

Meanwhile, Fox Films had purchased the screen rights to "Young Sinners" and was seeking someone to play the lead. The scout, seeing Albright in "The Greeks Had A Word For It," remembered him in "Young Sinners" and asked him to take a test.

Since Albright knew the character, he had no trouble in making his role convincing. He was given the role.

"Hush Money" counts in its cast such well known players of the stage and screen as Owen Moore, Myrna Loy, C. Henry Gordon, Douglas Cosgrove and George E. Batt.

"FIVE AND TEN."

"A wicked woman at last!" This was the enthusiastic greeting with which Irene Rich welcomed her role of the philandering mother in "Five and Ten," Marion Davies' new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film coming to the Queen's Theatre on Thursday.

"For years I have been a trusting but downtrodden wife on the screen always dressed in calicoes, waiting at home while some other woman was enjoying herself with my husband in the bright lights," she said. "Now I am going to have some fun of my own for a change. No more weeping and waiting and drab clothes. I have eight gorgeous costumes to wear and, believe me, there isn't any woman on earth who enjoys beautiful clothes any more than I."

Miss Rich last played the tragic role of the wife in "Strangers May Kiss" and her assignment to the role in the new Davies' picture followed her acclaim in the Shearer film by critics throughout the world.

Jean Houyet, a young French millionaire, was condemned to ten years' penal servitude on Devil's Island and twenty years' banishment, in Paris recently, for murdering a young woman.

RADIO
TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

5-5.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor and H.M.V. Records.

5-5.18 p.m.—Orchestral.
Traume (Wagner),
Russian and Ludmilla (Glinka),
Chicago Symphony Orchestra
under the direction of
Frederick Stock (7123).

When Day is Done (Katscher),
Soliloquy (Bloom).
Paul Whiteman and His
Orchestra (35828).

5-5.30 p.m.—A Selection of
Song Hits sung by Maurice Chevalier.

"You've Got That Thing" from "Fifty Million Frenchmen",
"Paris Stay the Same" from "The Love Parade" (22294)
"You Brought a New Kind of Love to Me" from "The Big Pond",
"Livin' in the Sunlight Lovin' in the Moonlight" from "The Big Pond" (22405)

5.30-7 p.m.—A relay of "Annabelle's Affairs" from the King's Theatre by courtesy of the management.

7.05-8 p.m.—Instrumental.

Violin Solo—
Zapatado (Sarasate),
Hebrew Melody (Achron),
Jascha Heifetz (6695).

Piano Solo—
Variations in C Minor (Beethoven),
Sergei Rachmaninoff (6544).

Cello Solo—
Song Without Words in D
(Mendelssohn),
(a) Songs My Mother Taught Me
(Dvorak),
(b) Flight of the Bumble Bee
(Rimsky-Korsakov),
Fable Casals (7103).

Piano Solo—
One Lives But Once
(Strauss-Tausig),
Sergei Rachmaninoff (6636).

Guitar Solo—
Tremolo Study (Tarrega),
Fandango (Turina),
Andres Segovia (6767).

Piano Solo—
A la Bien Aimee (Schutt),
Waltz in E Flat (Durand),
Harold Bauer (6508).

Violin Solo—
Song of the Volga Boatmen—Paraphrase (arr. Kreisler),
Negro Spiritual Melody
(arr. Kreisler),
Fritz Kreisler (1122).

8 p.m.—Local Time.
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POLICE RESERVE.

Orders for the Current
Week.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:—

Revolver Competition.

A revolver competition will take place between the Chinese Company and the Reserve Emergency Unit at the Kennedy Road Range on Saturday, January 23 at 2.30 p.m.

Chinese Company.

Training Course—Part II.—All recruits will attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, on Tuesday, January 19, 1932, at 5.30 p.m. for instruction.

Defendu Class.—This will be held on Wednesday, January 20 at Police Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Training Course—Part I.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, January 21, 1932, at 5.30 p.m.

N.C.O.'s Class.—All N.C.O.'s will attend the Chinese Company's Headquarters on Friday, January 22, 1932, at 4 p.m. for instruction under Mr. Paterson, P.P.T.S.

Company Parade.—A Company parade will take place on Saturday,

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED
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Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at King's Restaurant, and Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

To-morrow—Ten Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at King's Restaurant, Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels.

Thursday—Old Bedfordians' annual dinner, Hong Kong Club, 8 p.m.

Saturday—Burns Dinner, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre: "Annabelle's Affairs."
To-day—Queen's Theatre: "The Man They Couldn't Arrest."
To-day—Central Theatre: "East of Borneo."

To-day—Majestic Theatre: "The Seas Beneath."

To-day—Star Theatre: "Idle Rich."

Home Malls.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Forthos).

To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Hector), 10.30 a.m.; for Europe via Siberia (Athos II), 2.30 p.m.

Lammerts' Auction.
Thursday—At Sale Room, collection of curios, 2.30 p.m.

Friday—At 60A, Nathan Road, Kowloon, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Friday—At Sale Room, collection of stamps, 5.15 p.m.

January 30 at the Central Police Station at 2.30 p.m. All members must attend as a Company photograph will be taken at this time. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Truncheon, Belt, Whistle and Chain, Armband and Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried.

Indian Company.

Commendation.—Constable R253 Mohamed Ahsan of the Indian Company, Hong Kong Police Reserve is commended by the Hon. I.G.P. for zeal and alertness on September 27, 1931, in arresting four illicit wine smugglers on board the s.s. "Kikiang."

Flying Squad.

Strength.—S. I. B. C. Randall has resumed command of the Flying Squad with effect from Wednesday, January 13, 1932.

The next instructional patrol will take place on Friday, January 23 at Central Police Station at 17.15 hours. All members should attend. Dress—Blue Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

Reserve Emergency Unit.

Strength.—Constable R446 S. Bercovitch has been taken on the strength of the Reserve Emergency Unit as from January 16, 1932.

Defendu Class.—The defendu class will be held in the gymnasium at Police Headquarters on Thursday instead of Wednesday as previously notified at 5.30 p.m. under Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

Arms Licence.—All members who have not yet returned their licences to the O. I.C. must do so at once.

Defendu Class.—The defendu class will be held in the gymnasium at Police Headquarters on Thursday, instead of Wednesday, as previously notified at 5.30 p.m. under Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

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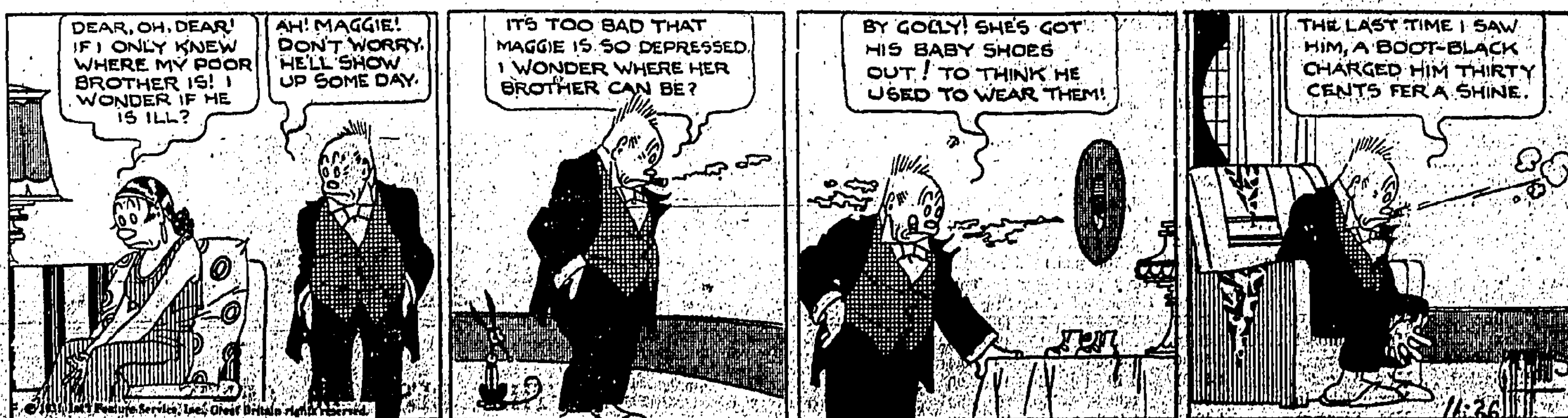
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London, Yesterday. The following were the results of the two games played in the Southern Section of the Third Division of the English League:—
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Fulham 4 Palace 0

ENTRIES FOR KWANTI NEXT SUNDAY.

The Mid-Winter Meeting.

The following are the entries and handicaps for the Mid-Winter meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club, to be held at Kwanti this Sunday, January 24, at 2.15 p.m.

1. The Randwick Plate.—A Steeplechase of 1½ Miles. For Australian Ponies. Weight for Inches as per Scale. Winners of a Steeplechase 7 lb. penalty. Grifins of 1932 allowed 5 lb.—Caulfield, Fritz, Season Ticket, St. Moritz, The Bustard, Thunderclap.

2. The Kempton Cup.—Second Division.—A Handicap Steeplechase of 1¼ Miles. For China Ponies.—Duke of Brittany, 170 lb.; Duke of Milan, 170; Movanagher, 170; As You Like It, 160; Fanling Stag, 150; White Heather, 160.

3. The Kempton Cup.—First Division.—A Handicap Steeplechase of 1¼ Miles. For China Ponies.—Montana, 170 lb.; Christmas Belle, 153; Overthere, 155; Bronze Eyes, 150; Donabella, 150; Duke of Chantilly, 150; Marquis Hall, 150; Piccalilli, 150; Target, 150; The Partridge, 150.

4. The "Shires" Cup (Unofficial).—Boukka, Bronze Eyes, Country Club, Demurrer, Donabella, Diana, Duke of Milan, Dunce, Fanling Stag, Fernleaf, Gastermer, Grey Mouse, Hefty, Loch Sloy, Montana, Patch, Piccalilli, Purity, Tarborg, Target, The Wind, Winter's Eve.

5. The Sandown Stakes.—A Hurdle Race of 1½ Miles. For China Ponies Subscription Grifins of this Club. Weight for Inches as per Scale. Winners 10 lb. penalty.—Anson, Black Maria, Cutex, Ed, Flywheel, Herga, Loch Ryan, Melrose, Mouche, Overthere, Rubislan.

6. The Gatewick Handicap.—A Hurdle Race of 1½ Miles. For

BOXING CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.

Aitkey Replies to Harry Rowles.

A. B. Aitkey of H.M.S. Berwick, who returned to the Colony this morning with his ship, from duty in Shanghai, has accepted the open challenge issued by Harry Rowles (H.M.S. Medway) in the columns of the *Sunday Herald* on January 10.

Rowles is heavyweight champion of the Colony, and light heavyweight champion of the China Fleet, 1931, while Aitkey holds the heavyweight championship of the China Fleet, 1931.

The Hong Kong Boxing Association will stage the bout as their main event in the February tournament which is to be held in the King's Theatre, the use of which has been kindly arranged by Sir Shou-son Chow. The date of the tournament is provisionally fixed for February 6.

Both Rowles and Aitkey are clever ringsters, and a good bout can be expected.

CLUB TEAM FOR THE SIM SHIELD.

Return Game Against Army To-morrow.

The return match in the Sim Hockey shield competition between the Hong Kong Hockey Club and the Army will be played on the U.S.R.C. ground to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 4.30 p.m.

The Club will be represented by the following:

C. L. Gregory; W. Woodward, J. Rodger; W. A. Reed, A. A. Dand, E. V. Reed; H. Owen Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, D. E. Evans, and J. L. Tetley.

China Ponies.—Britannic Hall, Christmas Belle, Donabella, Montana, Mongolian Stag, Overthere, Partridge, Patch, Piccalilli, Target, Tom, White Heather, Wonderful Stag, Young Pretender.

7. The Ascot Handicap.—A Flat Race of 1 Mile. For China Ponies classified by the Hong Kong Jockey Club in "D1" and "D2" Classes. To be ridden by jockeys who have not won 10 races anywhere at any time.

Arctic Eve, Bay of Bellingham II, Bright Eyes, Bronze Eyes, Celerity, Country Club, Duke of Normandy II, Heliotrope Leaf, Movanagher, Osiris, Silver Key, Sunning, Sunny Day, Tom Thumb.

RESULT OF ROUSE CUP IN YESTERDAY'S YACHTING

SEVENTH LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

The race for the Rouse Cup was sailed yesterday and resulted as follows:—

The course were:—1, Channel Rock (S.); 2, Mark on Line (S.); 3, Kowloon Rocks (S.); 4, Channel Rock (S.). Distance: 7.4 miles.

Yacht	Sailed by	Finished	Corrected	Pts.	Pts.
Bolla	Mrs. Sheldon	4:24.59	4:20.18	4	5
Siska	Mrs. Mackie	4:20.55	4:15.19	1	9
Diana	Mrs. Bingham	4:29.41	4:23.81	5	4
Dorothea	Mrs. A. Blake	4:27.16	4:18.88	2	7
Colleen	Mrs. Laussen	4:27.52	4:19.14	3	6
Maraycon	Whaler	D.N.F.			

The Seventh Ladies' Championship resulted as follows:—

The course were:—1, Channel Rock (S.); 2, Mark on Line (S.); 3, Kowloon Rocks (S.); 4, Channel Rock (S.). Distance: 7.4 miles.

Yacht	Sailed by	Finished	Corrected	Pts.	Pts.
Daphne	Mrs. Stokes	4:43.34	4:43.34	5	11
Atlas	Mrs. Lambert	4:42.14	4:42.14	4	12
Why Wonder	Mrs. Barry	4:46.50	4:46.50	7	9
Bluejacket	Mrs. Adams	4:41.51	4:40.24	2	14
Boolum	Mrs. Pickering	4:40.20	4:39.43	3	15
Speedwell	Mrs. Stewart	4:42.13	4:41.58	6	10
Wendy	Mrs. Pascher	4:37.19	4:35.35	1	16
Elania	Mrs. Ross	4:51.20	4:45.45	8	10

WALKER CUP TO BE PLAYED FOR

American Challenge Accepted.

OUIMET RIVAL SKIPPER.

(Reuter's Special Cable) Los Angeles, Yesterday. All doubts regarding a British challenge being made for the Walker Cup, now in America's possession, were dispelled when the Royal and the Ancient Club, St. Andrews, accepted America's invitation to play the match as usual. Francis Ouimet is captaining the American team.

I can't see a British player winning the American Open until we narrow up our fairways and force our golfers to acquire a greater degree of ball control. Compared with these narrow American fairways the fairways on British courses look as wide as a 40-acre plot.—Archie Compston.

Our Sports Diary.

ATHLETICS.—To-day, Thursday and Friday—Volunteer Sports (Heats) at 5.30 p.m.

Saturday—Volunteer Sports at the Club de Recre at 2.30 p.m. GOLF.—To-day—Completion of Second Round of R.H.K.G.C. Captain's Cup; First Round of Ross Cup (Ladies' Section).

Thursday—Third Round of Taggart Cup (Ladies' Section).

Friday—First Round of Ladies' Championship.

FOOTBALL.—To-morrow—Interpret Trial at K.F.C. at 4 p.m.

Saturday—Second Division—Argylls v. University; R.A.O.C. v. Navy; Club v. Twelfth Heavy Battery; Borders v. Kowloon; Chinese League—Sung Ching v. Chinese Athletic "B"; South China "A" Eastern; Yee Woo v. Chinese Athletic "A".

HOCKEY.—To-morrow—Sim Shield—Hong Kong Club v. Army on U.S.R.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.

Thursday—St. Andrew's v. University II.

Friday—Hong Kong Club "A" v. Jats at King's Park at 5 p.m.; St. Andrew's v. Royal Signals.

HUNTING.—To-morrow—Fanling Hunt Hounds Meet at Sheungahai at 3.15 p.m.

CRICKET.—Saturday—First Division—Indian R.C. v. Craigengower C.C. (L.); Navy v. Kowloon C.C. (F.); Civil Service C.C. v. Royal Artillery (F.); Second Division—Craigengower C.C. v. Indian R.C. (L.); Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio (L.); University v. Police R.C. (L.).

RUGBY FOOTBALL.—Saturday—Probable Interport XV. v. The Rest at Happy Valley at 4 p.m.

STEEL-CHASING.—Sunday—Fanling Hunt and Race Club Meeting at Kwanti.

WATER RETURN.

All the Reservoirs on Island Below Level.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on January 19, 1932, were as under:—

City and Hill District.	1931	1932
Tytam	23' 8" B	9' 2" B
Tytam Byewash	21' 4" B	23' 10" B
Tytam Intermediate	0' 2" B	28' 0" B
Tytam Tuk	17' 1" B	16' 9" B
Wong Nei Chung	17' 8" B	15' 4" B
Pokfulam	17' 1" B	10' 4" B
Aberdeen Upper	—	10' 8" B
Aberdeen Lower	—	10' 8" B

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow." Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1931	1932
Tytam	212.93	311.05
Tytam Byewash	2.13	1.18
Tytam Intermediate	194.95	79.10
Tytam Tuk	1,036.23	1,042.01
Wong Nei Chung	11.65	13.46
Pokfulam	29.94	43.58
Aberdeen Upper	—	123.14
Aberdeen Lower	—	—

Total 1,487.04 1,613.53

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December, 1931:

	1930	1931
City	270.85	244.50
Hill District	448.900	381.760

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GERMAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

SPECULATION AS TO HITLER'S FINAL REPLY.

Press Conjectures.

Berlin, Jan. 9. Herr Adolf Hitler has postponed his reply to the Chancellor regarding the National Socialists' attitude towards a prolongation of President von Hindenburg's term of office which was expected for to-day. According to a statement issued from National Socialist headquarters, the National Socialist leader had to leave Berlin for twenty-four hours and will not return before Sunday noon. This, however, is only regarded in political circles as a pretext for evading the issue until Monday pending the outcome of to-morrow's municipal elections in the State of Bismarck.

Meanwhile, there is a good deal of speculation regarding Herr Hitler's ultimate reply which, it is realised, might have a decisive influence on the trend of domestic events. No definite clue, however, is available as to what is really in the mind of the National Socialist leader and his chief lieutenants who appear to derive a certain amount of satisfaction from keeping the public at tenterhooks. Even the news agency which is usually used as a vehicle for conveying to the public National Socialist news items has nothing much to say on the subject, declaring merely that on one hand Herr Hitler has little inclination of allowing himself to be robbed of such an opportunity for testing popular sentiments as is presented by presidential elections, though he might, on the other hand, be inclined to sacrifice that opportunity if he could be convinced that foreign political exigencies militated against presidential elections at the present moment.

The Press continues to devote much space to the subject and indulges in conjectures which are without exception fathered rather by the wish than by any concrete information. Germany, the Catholic organ which is generally considered the mouth-piece of the Chancellor, in commenting on the topic voices the hope that the National Socialists will support Dr. Brüning in his scheme to amend the constitution with a view of extending the president's term of office. The journal declares that "it is the sincere desire of the overwhelming majority of the nation to see the president who is towering high above all party strife retain his office at least until the corner is rounded."

The present negotiations, Germany continues, are not envisaging von Hindenburg's re-election by popular vote, because, in view of the important foreign

political negotiations paralleling the election campaign, the efficacy of that process would, to say the least, be doubtful. "Rather than go through the throes of an election campaign, a concerted effort must be made and is being made to prolong the president's term of office and any part or person opposing this scheme which is a national and not a partisan issue will assume a heavy responsibility," the Catholic organ concludes.

Vossische Zeitung emphatically opposes the suggestion that an extension of the president's term of office should be made contingent upon political concessions which, the journal insists would deprive that step of its character as a national demonstration. Lokalanzeiger, a conservative organ, on the other hand, declares that the right wing parties in general and the National Socialists in particular could not be expected to consent to the Chancellor's suggestions without being assured of the fulfilment of certain conditions which, however, are not specified.

All the papers, however, whether conservative or liberal, and not excepting the socialist Vorwärts, enthusiastically welcome the prospect of President von Hindenburg continuing in office for the time being, though it is generally realised that he cannot be expected to serve another full term of seven years. Moreover, there are indications that official quarters are seeking to make the extension of the presidential term by a parliamentary amendment of the constitution a precedent for dispensing altogether with the election of the chief executive by popular vote. Instead, it is proposed to elect him always by parliament, as is being done in Austria and in France.—Trans-Ocean Kuomin.

CENSORSHIP ABOLISHED.

Nanking, Jan. 9. The National Government, in a mandate issued yesterday, orders the immediate abolition of the censorship on telegrams and Press messages, which has been in force since last Summer.

Freedom of speech being one of the rights which the people are entitled to enjoy, this privilege should be restored to them with the country now re-united under one Government, the order states. The Executive Yuan is, therefore, ordered to instruct its subordinate organs to act accordingly.—Kuo Min.

AVIATION IN CHINA.

Various Trial Flights.

DEVELOPMENTS.

Hankow, January 8.

A trial flight on the proposed Hankow-Sian Airway was launched by the China National Aviation Corporation yesterday, when a plane piloted by Captain Allison took off from Hankow. The plane reached Laonokow, northern Hupeh, safely the same day, covering the distance of 200 miles without a mishap.

Upon the success of the present trial flight depends the early inauguration of the Hankow-Sian service, which will be the means of linking up Shensi province in the North-west with the Yangtze valley. As the distance between Hankow and Sian is approximately 400 miles, the air trip may be made within five hours including a short stop either at Siangyang or Laonokow, both in northern Hupeh.

German Enterprise.

Peking, January 11.

To celebrate the success of the recent pioneer flight over the North-west undertaken by the Eurasia Aviation Corporation, Dr. Trautmann, German Minister to China, gave a reception at the German Legation yesterday in honour of Mr. Li Ching-sung, Director of the Operations Department of the Eurasia Aviation Corporation, and his German and Chinese companions on the Peking-Li flight.

Commenting on the inauguration of the projected Nanking-Berlin aerial service via the North-west, Mr. Li said that regular flights cannot take place in the China section until after April owing to the extremely cold weather obtaining in those regions. The Nanking-Berlin airway, when realised, would probably be one of the longest and most hazardous commercial lines in the world as deserts and mountains will have to be crossed.

According to Mr. Li, it is planned to employ seven aeroplanes for the North-western air service. For this purpose, therefore, four new Junker planes have been ordered from Germany. The route which extends from Shanghai to Tacheng, on the Siberian border, is to be divided into three main stages—from Shanghai to Peking, Peking to Joushiho (in Suiyuan) and Joushiho to Tacheng. Smaller stations may be established at other important cities en route as may be required. Each of these stages will be traversed in one day, thus bringing Sinkiang within three days from the Yangtze.

Mr. Li and his colleagues are leaving to-morrow by air for Nanking where they will report to the Government regarding their flight.—Kuo Min.

MAKING SOVIETEERS AIR-MINDED.

Moscow, Jan. 7.

A concentrated attempt to popularise aviation in Soviet Russia will be made by the Civil Aviation Administration and the Commissariat of War, according to a report published here to-day.

This end is to be achieved by the large-scale production of a new type of baby plane which will be sold at the price of only 2,000 roubles. If necessary, the payment may be spread over two years at a small additional charge for interest. Even then, however, there will be but a few individuals able to afford such a plane, but it is hoped that the workers in thousands of factories, or the peasants at hundreds of collective farms will club together to purchase a machine on the instalment plan. In Moscow, special hangars will be provided on a recently constructed civil aerodrome to all individual or collective owners of the new machine, of which the Civil Aviation Administration expects to sell between 3,000 and 4,000 a year for the next five years.

The new plane has been designed by one of Russia's leading air experts, M. Gribovskii. It is built of wood throughout measuring 21 feet from wingtip to wingtip and is equipped with a 60 h.p. engine, giving it a maximum speed of 100 miles p.m. and a cruising speed of 60 miles p.h.—Trans-Ocean Kuomin.

PROFESSOR KEYNES'S 1932 FORECAST

ABANDONMENT OF THE GOLD STANDARD.

Lecture in Germany.

Hamburg, Jan. 9.

That the year 1932 would see Germany, the South African Union, the Netherlands and other countries abandon the gold standard was confidently forecast to-night by the famous British economist Professor John Maynard Keynes in a lecture before the Hamburg Overseas Club, presided over by Dr. Karl Melchior, a prominent Hamburg banker who had represented Germany on the Basic experts committee.

In opening his lecture Professor Keynes stated that in renouncing the gold standard Great Britain had conferred upon the world a blessing whose extent it was as yet too early to gauge. By this renunciation Great Britain made it possible for prices to find their normal economic level, the lecturer continued insisting that other countries would have to follow suit and that, as regarded Germany, her apprehension would have to follow suit and that, as regarded Germany, her apprehension of a new currency inflation could not in the long run be allowed to outweigh the damage done to her commerce by the fact that other countries had departed from the gold standard.

Referring to the war debt and reparation problem, Professor Keynes stated that British public opinion was unanimously in favour

of cancelling both. The reparation conference at Lausanne, he continued, had the choice amongst three alternatives, a definite solution of the problem, a two or three year's moratorium, or a provisional settlement remaining in force until the end of the year, while the political situation was given an opportunity to clarify. This last alternative, Professor Keynes opined, would very probably be adopted, as a definite solution seemed at present to be impossible of attainment and as a moratorium for two years would hardly have the beneficial effect expected from it.

In conclusion Professor Keynes stated that Germany's policy of demonstrating to the world the impossibility of the reparation settlement was at last bearing fruit. By patiently trying to meet her obligations and by facing the issue squarely, he said, Germany was convincing the international public that she could no longer meet her obligations.

After the visitor had concluded his address there ensued a spirited debate in the course of which Dr. Melchior while expressing admiration for Professor Keynes' work and arguments sought to refute his thesis that Germany would be compelled to abandon the gold standard. He could not see, he said, that Germany would derive any benefits from such a policy.—Trans-Ocean Kuomin.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

FOR CHINA.

Nanking, Jan. 9.

It is reported that pursuant to recommendations from various civic and commercial organisations, Dr. Huang Han-liang, Minister of Finance is considering the convocation, within the shortest possible time, of a National Economic Conference to formulate comprehensive programmes of economic and financial rehabilitation. All public-spirited leaders of business and banking in the country will be invited to attend the proposed Conference.

The proposal for the convocation of an economic conference was first mooted by the Chinese Domestic Bondholders' Association. In a petition to the National Government, the Association drew attention to the deplorable plight of the country's finances and the recent slump in bond-values. Unless a National Economic Conference (modelled after the epoch-making German Economic Conference) is convened to effect a thorough overhauling of the country's finances, Government credit, and with it the whole economic structure of the country, is doomed to collapse.

Endorsing the Bondholders' proposal, the Greater Shanghai Citizens' Association, in a petition submitted to the National Government last night, points out that no effective measures of financial and economic rehabilitation would be possible, unless the country's economic experts and experienced business men are mobilised and charged with the task of planning and supervision.

The petition recalls that under the aegis of Mr. T. V. Soong, the late Minister of Finance, a National Economic Conference similar to the one now being proposed was held in June, 1923. The far-reaching schemes adopted at the Conference have not, however, been carried into effect. This has been due, the petition states, mainly to the fact that the Conference in question was of a very limited scope, being conveyed by the then Ministry merely for purposes of consultation.

At this juncture, when a new regime has been inaugurated and fresh efforts are being made to lay down the foundations of a domestic government, the Government should convene, as soon as possible, a National Economic Conference after the example of the historic German Conference.

Simultaneously with the despatch of the above petition to Nanking, the Association, it is

understood, has also issued a nation-wide appeal to commercial and industrial organisations calling upon them to support the proposal so that programmes of national economic reconstruction may be successfully drawn up.

In this connection, it is reported that Minister Huang has exchanged views with the leading members of the business community in Shanghai regarding the proposal in question. It is further reported that as a result of such exchange of views, the Finance Minister is favourably impressed with the idea of convening an economic conference and will take the matter up with the Government.—Kuo Min.

TEACHERS THREATEN TO STRIKE.

Peking, Jan. 9.

Educational authorities in Peking are facing a serious crisis as a result of financial difficulties. Teachers of the various schools in the Municipality are threatening to strike en bloc if their salaries in arrears for five months are not paid up. Total obligations in this respect amount to about \$1,850,000.

In view of the gloomy situation, a delegation of teachers from seven schools has decided to proceed to the Capital to solicit aid from the Ministries of Finance and Education.

Meanwhile, all municipal primary schools are suspending classes. A similar predicament faces the middle schools should the teachers fail to obtain a satisfactory reply to their demands from the local Bureau of Education.—Kuo Min.

CHINA NEGOTIATES A LOAN.

Nanking, Jan. 10.

Optimism is expressed in political circles at the Capital regarding the success of negotiations now being conducted with the bankers by Dr. Huang Han-liang, Minister of Finance, to raise funds to meet commitments bequeathed to the new government for liquidation.

Although details of the negotiations have not been divulged officially, it is learned that Dr. Huang is arranging for a loan of \$48,000,000 from Shanghai financiers to be secured on the unissued \$80,000,000 20th Year Short Term Currency Bonds. This amount, together with the regular income of the Government, is expected to be able to tide over the present emergency.—Kuo Min.

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Aides to Governors.

Coming so soon after our recent suggestion for the creation of a Press Bureau in Hong Kong in charge of an experienced journalist, qualified also to control the Government's advertising and printing activities, we have been much interested in reading in United Empire a report of a Colonial Press Conference in Paris, stating, inter alia:—

"The value of Press men as assistants to Governors was stressed in an able speech by M. Raul Monmarson. It was his opinion, one based on the success of newspaper men in many cases in roles of importance both at home and in the Colonies, that the creation of a position as Press Attache to each governing head would be very valuable."

That is taking our suggestion of a Press Bureau in charge of a journalist must further, indeed, than we thought of when writing on the subject some days ago. But it is an admirable improvement on our idea. It is one that could be adapted very readily to conditions in such Colonies as Hong Kong, the Straits Settlements, and Ceylon, to mention no others further afield. With each succeeding change in the governing head in our Crown Colonies there arises a need to be guided not only by Heads of Departments but by the local Press. The sympathetic chord, however, between a new Governor and the Press may at times, by a chance remark even, be liable to be unwittingly strained during the very early stages of a new governing head's career — during the period he is endeavouring to find his feet and fit himself into the niche of Colonial administration in which he finds himself. Whilst he is busily engaged in forming first impressions of the Colony and its people, a biased opinion may easily lead him off the right track. Instead of looking to the local Press as useful guides and counsellors, complementary to

experienced Heads of Departments, he may mistakenly decide that, as a factor assisting in good governance, the local Press can be ruled out entirely. And, subconsciously it may be, an invisible barrier is raised between the governing head and the Press — an invisible barrier that inevitably reacts detrimentally to the good of the Colony as a whole.

By the creation of a position as Press Attache to the governing head, a bond of cordiality (as opposed to frigidity) would be forged immediately between the administrator and the local Press — and, thus, between the administrator and the community through its sole means of articulation: the newspapers. A Press Attache should be able, by a tactful word in season, to avert streams of misunderstanding between the authorities and the Press under existing conditions.

There is another phase of the subject that strengthens the case for the appointment of a Press Attache. That is the possibility of the Press Attache acting as an acceptable liaison officer between the authorities and the local newspapers. He would be worth more than any number of empty Press tables in Government Departments. He would be the recognised fountain head for confirmation or refutation of news gleaned by the newspapers as a matter of daily routine. Moreover, unlike Press tables or even a Press Bureau, his services could be enlisted by the newspapers after the official hour of closing Government offices, thus depriving the newspapers at one stroke of the excuse that time does not permit of confirmation or refutation of a story for publication. As an intermediary, a Press Attache would likewise save much precious time for the higher authorities, certain of whom, in busy moments, resent the intrusion of Press men seeking enlightenment on some important local topic. Again, in the important matter of censorship, it is conceivable that a Press Attache would be an invaluable boon to the S.O.A. and the Police, bringing to their aid a store of journalistic experience that could not fail to be of immense service to all concerned.

We should like to read the views of our contemporaries in the Straits Settlements, Federated Malay States, and Ceylon on this very fascinating subject to the Colonial Press. May be, even the Crown Colonist, published in London, may have some views of interest to impart.

From Other Pens.

Hitlerian Hygiene.

Although he has been temporarily silenced by Dr. Bruning, Herr Hitler has not been idle. His Medical Council in session at Leipzig has been laying down rules to govern the life of the new Hitlerian Empire.

The programme was outlined by Professor von Chemnitz, who proposes to divide the German people into three classes.

Class III. would include the prostitutes, the physical defectives and the criminals. They would be sterilised. Class II. would include epileptics, alcoholics and Germans of foreign extraction—a euphemism for Jews. The latter would be specially taxed in order to discourage large families and would be forbidden to marry "pure" Germans.

Class I. would be the 100 per cent. fit, and pure Germans, who are to be encouraged to propagate at will and who will build up the new Germany.

It is a fierce programme. It will lose Herr Hitler more votes than it will gain.—Londoner in the Evening Standard.

The Golfer's Clubs.

It is pleasant to find that there is coming to the surface a certain feeling of compunction among golfers in regard to the number of clubs and weight of ironmongery imposed by other golfers on their caddies. The view of golfers in Charles Bowen to his fellow-judges—they are generally fully conscious of "one another's deficiencies," but the heaven may work now. There are various considerations which would have to be faced by committees acting in defence of the unfortunate caddies. Obviously there ought to be some differentiation between caddies who are men in their prime and caddies who are small and weakly boys. But this is not all. Would it be possible to put some limitation on numbers of clubs carried on a scale varying with handicap? A "plus" man would be allowed a full armoury, and the allowance would be decreased till the 24-handicap limit was reached.

But it cannot be pretended that this would give complete satisfaction, for it is often the bad golfer who requires the largest number of clubs, since he nurses a childish faith in the power of the club independent of that of its wielder. It was a player of that sort who bought the fashionable complete set of irons and imposed them on an unfortunate caddy. He explained to his opponent how each club had its own limit and how one club would place the ball fifty yards farther than another—"As for instance," he said, taking a club. As it happened the shot was a success—but the round was spoiled by the discovery that the wrong iron had been taken and that the one used ought not to have done what it did. And the caddy smiled and lost half his tip.

Manchester Guardian.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

The English Folk Cookery Association had one of its dinners recently at Simons when old fashioned English dishes were served. The menu included "Coven-trary pigeon pie," "Hedgehog pudding," "Syllabub Beau Nash," "Stilton and Yorkshire omelette." Coventry pigeon pie is a dish for which the town of that name is justly celebrated, the paste being made, it is stated, in a certain way. But Syllabub Beau Nash is a mixture of whipped cream, fruit juice and sherry, which those addicted to the use of the last named in the usual manner, will undoubtedly dub a sickly sounding mixture. But, those whose stomachs are at all "queasy" will be glad to know that a hedgehog pudding is not made of hedgehog at all; it is really a most delectable form of trifle, and the secretary of the Association in an interview given to the Press dilated at some length on the excellence of English cooking: "Those who decry it," she said, "are foolish. They can have no idea of real English food." A mere amateur in such matters suggests they are never likely to, if such a thing as a trifle is to appear on the menu as a hedgehog pudding. The idea! Someone, one of these days, will be serving up an old-fashioned mince pie, and calling it a porcupine party!—North China Daily News.

News in Brief.

H.M.S. Berwick returned from the North to-day.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 80 degrees. The humidity was 73 at 10 a.m. and 70 at 4 p.m.

The new wing of the Y.M.C.A. (European) Kowloon, will be opened by H.E. the Governor on February 2, at 5.20 p.m. After the opening ceremony, and after its inspection, a display will be given in the Swimming Bath and exhibition games in the Squash Racket Courts.

Lai Kam and Ho Yin, two Chinese coolies, were, this morning, convicted for the theft of four baskets of coal from the M.B.K. colliery at Yau-mai. They were caught in the act by a Chinese constable. First defendant was sent to jail for 14 days and second defendant, who had a previous conviction, was given three weeks.

For stealing 28 sacks from the Luen Shing matched at Kansu Street, a Chinese named Au Sam was fined \$10 or 14 days' imprisonment at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

One month's hard labour was imposed on Ip Man at the Kowloon Police Court this morning, for having unlawful possession of a quantity of metal covered wire in Temple Street.

One member of the gang of coolies, who were buried as a result of a landslide while cutting a hillside at Ku Ching Village, Kowloon City, yesterday, was found to be dead when extricated some hours later.

To-morrow night at 9 o'clock at the Y.M.C.A. (European), Kowloon, a debate will be held under the chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton. The subject of the debate—"That public ownership of utility undertakings is undesirable."

A week's formal remand was granted in the case of Yip Tim, who is alleged, together with another not in custody, to have obtained two diamond rings valued at \$900, from a Chinese widow named Cheung Suk-tai, at Yau-mai, on January 17. A second charge of fraudulent conversion was also preferred.

Found to have possession of a bamboo pole, knife, pair of pliers, of wire, and a gunny bag at Tung Choi Street, Mongkok, yesterday, a Chinese was, this morning, charged at the Kowloon Magistracy with having possession of implements for an unlawful purpose. He was convicted and sent to jail for one month with hard labour.

Personal Pars.

The forthcoming marriages are announced of Denys Warwick Morley, 10, Felix Villas, and Frances Winifred Meadows, of Kingsclere, Kowloon; and of Bertram Sidney Rogers, 244, Nathan Road, Kowloon, and Violet Irene Spradbury, 1, United Terrace, Mountin.

A meeting of the new Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital, numbering 24 prominent Chinese merchants who were recently appointed by local Chinese business associations, met yesterday to elect a Chairman for 1932, and their choice fell on Mr. Chan Lim-pak, who was formerly Chairman of the Canton Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and is a managing director of the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co.; member of the Finance Committee of the St. John Ambulance Brigade; President of the Chinese Athletic Association; member of the Committee of the Society for the Protection of Children; and member of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

\$1,000,000 ALIMONY.

Coty the Parfumeur to Pay.

Paris. M. Francois Coty, the French perfume and newspaper magnate, must pay 1,000,000 francs (about £1,040,000 at par) of alimony to his former wife, Mme. Lebaron, without delay. This was the decision of a Paris court in rejecting M. Coty's appeal for a delay of ten years in this payment. Costs were also given against him.

In announcing the decision the judge declared that M. Coty had not proved that his reserves in France were insufficient to meet his obligations, and that he had not established that he had tried to pay by realising his personal assets.

M. and Mme. Coty were married in 1900 and divorced in 1929, when Mme. Coty resumed the name of Lebaron. The settlement provided that M. Coty should pay her alimony totalling about \$3,440,000, partly in cash and the rest in two instalments in August, 1930, and August, 1931.

When the final payment fell due M. Coty, who had already paid about \$2,400,000, asked for delay on account of the economic crisis. Mme. Lebaron opposed this.

M. Coty's defence is that the amount in question, totalling 1,000,000 francs (over £1,000,000 at par), was invested in an American company which is unable to meet its obligations. M. Coty offers to pay the money in ten annuities of 13,000,000 francs each.

GUARDING GANDHI.

The task of guarding Gandhi has been an expensive but necessary item of an expensive but unnecessary conference.

Allowing for railway fares, the cost is computed at £300 or £400. It can be justified on the ground that, if any accident had befallen Gandhi the British Government, who invited him, would have been held responsible in India.

In one respect the detectives have had an easy task. During the Irish troubles, when our own Ministers were guarded, some of them resented this interference with their private liberty and played a merry game of hide-and-seek with their panting protectors.

Gandhi, it is understood, has been an amenable guardee. From the detectives' point of view, he has the additional advantage of being visible from afar.

To-day's Thought.

Some people mistake gratification for happiness.

Ten Years Ago.

(From the "China Mail" of January 19, 1922.)

To-day's dollar is worth 2/7½.

The China Specie Bank has purchased from Mr. H. M. H. Nemaze, the block of building in Duddell Street, at present occupied by Messrs. Lammert Brothers' auction sale rooms and the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company's godown. The price was \$200,000. The deal was closed last Saturday and it is understood that the tenants have already been given three months' notice to quit.

When asked by a China Mail reporter this morning what he intended to do with the block, the manager of the China Specie Bank said his bank would move there as soon as it was vacated. There would be no time to erect a new building on the site, he said, as the bank was in pressing need of accommodation, their present premises being wanted by Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company to give to Wiseman's Cafe under the agreement already announced.

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AN INTERVIEW WITH PETER

By
W. V. NOBLE.

Peter strikes matches for the love of it; he likes to see the flames; the marvel of fire springing apparently from nowhere is still fresh. Sometimes he'll run headlong into you round a corner holding a flaming match in front of him like a head-lamp. It soon goes out, but it fascinates him while it lasts. He makes a buzzing noise as he runs: I think he's pretending to be an aeroplane. Yesterday Peter was going to be a telegraph boy because he liked the uniform. To-day he has decided that he'll join the Royal Air Force. To-morrow he will probably choose to be an engine-driver. His future depends entirely on the story which takes his fancy in the beloved two-penny weekly which he reads from cover to cover, including the sports equipment.

The other day I caught Peter shinning up the wireless pole. He was wearing his Scout shirt and khaki trousers and he had a jack-knife between his teeth. He came to rest at a perilous height, with one arm gripping the pole and the other his legs entwined round the pole.

"You'll get splinters in your knees," I shouted from my lowly position in the cabbage-bed.

The jack-knife prevented his shouting back; he went on sucking it.

"You'd better come down before the pole snaps," I persisted.

He rocked the pole in defiance, and the rattle of the insulators was the only answer. The aerial sagged and tightened as Peter swayed to and fro. Cautiously he slid his left hand away from the pole and I could see that his knees were white with the tightness of their grip. With nimble fingers he untied his blue neckerchief and slipped his head through the lanyard that used to be white. The little devil was going to break his neck, I thought, and he ought to be made to come down. But one is in rather a helpless position standing in a cabbage-patch twenty feet below the scene of activity.

"Peter!" I shouted. "I'll tan you when you come down!"

He waved his neckerchief.

Pushing his right arm farther round the wire on to which he clung, he was able to use both hands to lash the neckerchief to the pole, and it floated out in the breeze like a blue pennon at the tip of a giant lance.

"Pull your knots tight," I called. "If you'd drop that blinking knife you could use your teeth."

The knife came hurtling down, wet and foamy, and the blade buried itself in the ground between a cabbage gone to seed and my foot, just as Peter would have wanted it to do. I left it there for him to see when he came down.

Slowly he descended, hot and flushed and with his knees bleeding. He dropped the last five feet and looked up at the flapping piece of cotton with a satisfied expression in his eyes.

"That's good landmark, isn't it?" he said.

"Good enough, for what it's worth. I don't know how it'll affect my wireless reception, though."

He was not impressed.

"Do you think they could see that fifty miles away?" he asked.

"Who's they?"

"Oh, pirates or invaders or anybody. Suppose we were trapped in this garden and the enemy tried to break through the gate, we could keep them at bay with sticks and stones and signal for help from the top of the wireless pole." Peter's eyes were burning with imagination.

"A happy thought," I said, but my sarcasm was lost on Peter.

"You never know what might happen, you know," he continued. "I think we ought to build up that part of the wall that's broken, and strengthen the gate. And I think we ought to bury a store of ammunition in the corner there. We could fortify this place quite well." He looked round my humble back garden with a critical eye.

"Are you expecting an invasion?" I asked. But he did not heed me.

"By the way," he said, "how long do you think you could live in this garden if we were surrounded by the enemy?"

I didn't need to think long about that. "Perhaps twenty-four hours if it didn't rain," I said. "I might be able to find an odd carrot or one of last year's turnips buried somewhere. I might even be able to light a fire and boil some potatoes."

"I can light a fire with one match," Peter boasted. "There are nettles, too, in this garden. You could boil those. Nettle pudding is quite sustaining."

"And where would we sleep?" I asked humbly.

"Oh, sleep!" Peter sounded disgusted. "We wouldn't sleep at all. We would have too much to do. While I was throwing stones down on to the enemy from the top of the wall and knocking them on the head with my Scout pole you would be digging a tunnel under the back wall for us to escape. Then when you'd finished we'd put our hats on top of the wall to make the enemy think we were still here, and then we'd slip away through the tunnel. There wouldn't be any time to sleep."

"Of course not," I agreed. "And having escaped we would go and inform the police?"

Peter groaned. "Of course not. We would then attack the enemy from behind and put them to flight."

"That's it," I suggested. "That's it. Do you think there are any islands that haven't been discovered? I'm thinking of discovering an island some day and finding people that nobody has ever heard of before. There must be some islands that haven't been discovered."

I contemplated this new turn in the conversation, but I was not given long enough to reply.

"What is the best way of discovering an island, do you think?" asked Peter.

"Oh, you just fly there or sail there across the sea and ask the chief person in the island whether he has ever been discovered. If he says he's seen somebody like you before then you'll know that it's not a discovery after all."

Peter did not seem quite sure whether I was pulling his leg.

"To change the subject. How long have you been a Scout, Peter?" I asked.

"I am not a Scout yet. I'm just a Wolf Cub. But I'll soon be old enough to be a Scout. I must get my neckerchief back because we have a meeting to-night."

He made for the pole with the intention of shinning up again, but I stopped him. I offered him half a crown to buy a new neckerchief, but he persisted that only his old one would do. I told him that it was my wireless-pole and that I would not allow him to climb up it, but he reminded me that it was his neckerchief.

"I would rather that it stayed where it is," I pleaded. "Then when the enemy invade the garden we need not waste time by stringing a distress signal to the pole."

"All right," said Peter. "There's nothing like being prepared!"—*Manchester Guardian.*

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

Better Demand for Utilities.

SHANGHAI BUYERS.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: The market opened quietly steady with a better demand for some of the "Utilities," which were slightly marked up. That also applies to Excess, Shanghai being buyers at a higher price than our local rate.

Sales.

Trams, \$22.75.

Electricity, \$78.74.

Star Ferries, \$97.

Benquets, \$12.

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Unions, \$415.

Providents (old), \$5.30.

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Chinese Estates, \$05.

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Indo-Chinas (Pref.), \$45.

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Realities, \$12.

Electricity, \$78 1/2.

Entertainments (old), \$16 1/2.

Raubs, \$39.

H.K. Lands, \$82 1/2.

Excess, \$16 1/2.

Telephones (part paid), \$28.

CHINA - JAPAN - MANCHURIA.

Aims of the New Government.

Nanking, Jan. 8. Dr. Kan Chieh-hou, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, in a Press interview yesterday, declared that the aims of the new Government vis-a-vis the Manchurian situation are threefold: namely, (1) cessation of hostilities; (2) restoration of lost sovereign rights and (3) recovery of lost territories. In order to attain these objects, the Government will, firstly, draw the attention of the Powers to the Japanese aggressions and thus bring international pressure to bear upon Japan; secondly, resist by force any further aggressions by Japan; and, thirdly, rally the people to the support of the Government.

Vice-Minister Kan said that certain definite results are expected to be achieved by the time the Council of the League of Nations reconvenes on the 25th inst.

He also categorically denied reports that the Foreign Ministry has entered into secret agreements with Japan recognising the latter's special interests

NATIONAL FLOOD RELIEF

Shipping Department's Record of Work.

HIGHLY SATISFACTORY.

Immense Tonnage of Wheat and Flour Handled.

Shanghai, Jan. 9. Summarising the record of the Shipping Department of the National Flood Relief Commission up to the end of the year 1931, Mr. F. B. Lynch, who is in charge of this work, stated that 83,551 long tons of wheat and 31,696 long tons of flour had arrived in Shanghai and been transhipped to Yangtze river ports or on that day remained in the Commission's godowns at the China Merchants' Eastern Wharf pending river shipment. The original arrangement with the Farm Board of the United States provided that either wheat or flour might be shipped. These arrivals, together with the planned schedule of ships due in January, February and March, will, it is expected, make arrangements for the shipment of a total equivalent in wheat and flour of almost 424,000 tons of wheat. This amount is well within sight of the Commission's contract with the Farm Board for 450,000 tons. This may be regarded as very satisfactory handling of a very large undertaking.

To date, Mr. Lynch's report further states, 22 ships from America have arrived and been discharged. Thanks to expeditious handling and careful planning, no demurrage at all had been paid on any one of these ships. Furthermore, on 12 of the 14 ships carrying full cargoes, despatch money was earned. The other 8 ships carried smaller parcels, and upon these neither demurrage nor despatch money was payable. Mr. Lynch gives much credit for this to Messrs. L. Everett, Inc. shipping contractors to the Commission, and to the Inland Shipping Committee headed by Mr. J. Keswick of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Unless, however, there had been further good planning and expeditious handling at the river ports, a serious congestion would have occurred in the opinion of Mr. Lynch: that this did not happen the credit is due to Mr. J. E. Baker and to Mr. C. P. Chow, Manager for the Commission of the

China Merchant Eastern Wharf. If, either at Shanghai or at river ports, discharge arrangements and temporary storage had not been available immediately in every case, there would have been "slow discharge" with consequent increase in costs and general hold-up of the machinery of flood relief.

Interviewed on this question yesterday, Mr. J. E. Baker indicated that it was his belief that the receipt and relatively successful handling of approximately one-third of the total cargo was "a good beginning, though the game is not yet over." Discussing the question further Mr. Baker pointed out that the presence in China of the wheat already arrived, and the prospective additional arrivals had a very important secondary function. It had been estimated in the early stages of the Commission's work that 300,000,000 tons of crop had been prevented from coming into being. This was sufficient to have created a speculative rise, which had indeed, continued Mr. Baker, already begun when the announcement was made of negotiations for 15,000,000 bushels of American wheat. Hence the purchase has kept at reasonable levels, in Mr. Baker's estimation, perhaps fifty times the imported amount of foodstuffs to be consumed in the country between the time of the last and of the next harvest.

In the opinion of Sir John Hope Simpson, this result is of great importance, though the fact remained that at present, due to the drop in the English pound and the sympathetic further drop of the Australian pound since the signing of the contract meant that Australian wheat was at present on the market at prices considerably below those originally agreed upon by the Commission. Several factors therefore are operating in respect of the satisfactory and comparatively low prices of foodstuffs, which, Sir John states, reacts favourably upon the well-being of many more people than those directly affected by the floods, and for whom the Commission is responsible.—Kuo Min.

in Manchuria. He also repudiated reports of the alleged proposed interview between Mr. Eugene Chen and Mr. Shigemitsu.

With reference to the reported invasion of Kwangsi by the French Indo-China colonial forces, the Vice-Minister pointed out that the Foreign Ministry

of the former National Government at Canton had already lodged with the French Government a strong protest regarding this matter. Replying through its consular representatives, the French Government gave the assurance that it has absolutely no intention to encroach upon Chinese territory and that the reports in question are groundless. No further trouble is expected in this connection.—Kuo Min.

A PORTUGUESE VAGRANT.

An unemployed Portuguese, Egas Manuel Victor Remedios (34), of no fixed abode, was, this morning, brought before Mr. J. A. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy on a charge of being a vagrant.

Defendant, who gave himself up to the Police, was in a sick condition. He has, it is understood, relatives at Hominin, but, owing to his alleged wild ways, they refuse to have anything to do with him.

The Magistrate ordered his removal to the House of Detention, pending further arrangements.

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MOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN Melbourne Maru Thurs., 4th Feb.

THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES Amazon Maru Thurs., 21st Jan.

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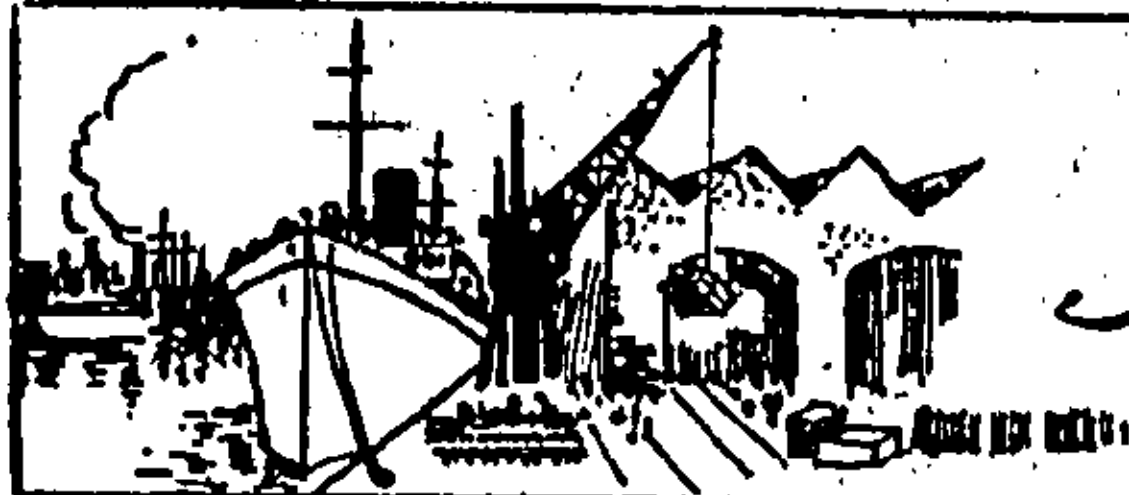
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THE "SEA SERPENT"

HUGE BEAST REARS HEAD OUT OF WATER.

Seen By Four People.

The evidence of the four witnesses of the serpent coincided roughly with respect to the main points surrounding its appearance, though descriptions of the reptile varied widely. The facts are as follows: At 10 p.m. on July 14, 1931, when the R.M.S. Medusa was in Lat. 14 deg. 10' N. Long. 123 deg. 47' E. (dead reckoning), a lady passenger, a retired colonel, the boatswain, and the purser's clerk saw a sea serpent on the vessel's port side. Leaving out the colonel, this leaves three reliable witnesses (the colonel's evidence is discounted, as this was not the first snake he had reported. He had changed his cabin three times on account of the number of snakes and centipedes on the walls, and had complained bitterly to the captain of a blue turtle which kept following him about. With respect to the sea serpent, he swore that it barked like a dog. It was considered that long residence in a waterless tract of India had made him slightly psychotic). To continue—ladies first—Miss Robinta, an elderly and thoroughly reliable spinster, reported that she was knitting on the port side of the ship at the time that the sailors rang the bell four times, which the purser—"The darling"—had so kindly explained was four bells. Suddenly a huge beast reared its head out of the water. She faintly, but had time to notice an astonishing amount of detail. On being brought round with a glass of gin (which she had never tasted before, but she thought it must have been gin by the funny smell), she remembered that the hideous animal had reared up as high as the masts. Its size was colossal, but it was just like an ordinary snake in some respects except that it was all dripping with water (so it must have been a sea serpent, though it did seem so silly). It had fins which she thought looked fishy. Miss Robinta particularly noticed that it had a beak like a bird's, with teeth in it, because she remembered having read something about those pterodactyl things in the "Lost World" and it seemed such a coincidence. Before disappearing, the horrible creature deliberately winked at her. She then fainted.

We now pass on to the boatswain's account. The boatswain related that at 10 p.m., having just apportioned the rum issue for the following day, and found that he would have to deny himself in the morning as there wasn't enough for all hands, he retired to the fore-cabin-head for "two spits and a draw." He had no sooner got his pipe under way than there was a swishing noise which made him feel dizzy. Then a huge slimy snake suddenly appeared above the forecastle-head rail smelling very fishy. The reptile seemed to look at him reproachful like, and then suddenly shoved out close on 6 fathoms of a double-ended tongue and flicked him across the forehead. He knew no more until waked by his boy at 6 a.m. He had a splitting head for two days afterwards.

The purser's clerk confined his account to time (10 p.m.), colour of reptile (yellow) and approximate size of same (about 8 feet in diameter and about 600 feet long—all he saw of it—though it might have been any length). He was in the bar, adding up wine chits at the time, and decided that something should be done. He rushed up on deck and deliberately threw a life-buoy at it.

These were the only people who actually saw the serpent. It is thought that the officer of the watch must have seen it from the bridge. He probably did, but being a cynical and sceptical young man didn't believe it. He saw the life-buoy, however, and thinking that some one had fallen overboard, did fourteen things all at once, with the result that the ship stopped, turned round, and a lifeboat was lowered and rowed towards the life-buoy.

Having picked up the life-buoy with commendable frugality, the lifeboat was picked up in her turn and the vessel proceeded. The serpent was not seen again.

A conversation which took place subsequently in the public bar of the "Paisce and Smack" may throw some light on the extraordinary appearance of the sea serpent. Enter Bill Stubbs and Will Smith, A.B. and O.S. respectively of the R.M.S. Medusa. Said Bill: "Yes mate, we was to take a full size mooring line from the fore-peak, along aft. Not wanting to disturb the watch, I think, daft-like, me and old Tom float her aft. So old Tom he passes her out the fore-peak port on the port side, and I makes a messenger fast and takes a turn round the capstan aft. Then it's heave away and pay out if you get me. Well, old Tom gets a bit weak and the rope takes charge. Out she comes, carries away me messenger an' all, an away she goes never fouling the propellers neither. Old Tom an' I keeps mum. But you should hear the mate when we gets to port and he finds a manilla shy. Oh matey, you should have heard him when he finds it's gone and don't know where. Would 'ave thought he'd seen a blinkin' sea serpent! You would draw." He had no sooner got his an' all!—P.S. in the Nautical pipe under way than there was a Magazine.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, January 17.
Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. K. Dahl, from Saigon, buoy No. B11—Chang Tong Ha.
Serooskerk, Dutch str., 5,235 tons, Capt. K. L. Lenje, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—J.C.J.L.
Tijbsdack, Dutch str., 4,801 tons, Capt. J. J. Duit, from Amoy, buoy No. A7—J.C.J.L.
Tsinan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shaw, from Amoy, buoy No. B11—B. & S.

Monday, January 18.
Chaksang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. J. McAnish, from Swatow, West Point Wharf—J. M. & Co.
Corona, Norwegian str., 1,953 tons, Capt. O. Klette, from Canton, Yantai Anchorage—Dodwell & Co.
Fingal, Norwegian str., 1,244 tons, Capt. B. Bolt, from Bangkok, buoy No. B16—Thoresen & Co.
Muhman, Danish str., 1,739 tons, Capt. Rehner, from Swatow, buoy No. B17—John Manners & Co.
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President Jackson, American str., 3,877 tons, Capt. J. G. Smith, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—A.M.T.

Prosper, Norwegian str., 1,377 tons, Capt. T. D. Knutsen, from Saigon, buoy No. A5—Lee Fang Hong.
Sandviken, Norwegian str., 1,775 tons, Capt. A. Norvalls, from Canton, buoy No. B2—J. M. & Co.
Scheer, German str., 5,121 tons, Capt. Graslott, from Vladivostok, buoy No. A2—Johansen & Co.

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Hiroshi Maru No. 8, for Keelung.
Florence D., for Manila.
Kittawa, for Swatow.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Kobe on January 18 (Mon.) at 8:30 a.m., left Kobe on January 18 (Mon.) at 2 p.m., and is due at Shanghai on January 20 (Wed.) at 11 a.m. She leaves Shanghai for Hong Kong on January 21 (Thurs.) at 7 a.m.

COAL WHARVES FOR TSINGTAO.

Tsingtao, Jan. 11.
Plans are being jointly drafted by the Municipal Bureau of Harbour Affairs, Finance, and Public Works in Tsingtao for the construction of wharves for the exclusive loading and unloading of coal. Tenders will be invited as soon as plans are completed.

This action is taken by Admiral Shen Hung-lich, the new Mayor of Tsingtao, in view of the importance of the coal trade to the prosperity of the port. Funds for the work will be obtained from the collection of extra wharfage dues to be devoted specially for the purpose.—Kuo Min.

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WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Bruce—South wall.
Berwick—North arm.
Cicala—No. 8 buoy.
Cornflower—In docks.
Cumberland—West wall.
Herald—East wall.
Hermes—No. 1 buoy.
Keppel—North arm.
Marazion—South wall.
Medway and Sub.—No. 2 buoy.
Moth—South wall.
Pandora—In dock.
Protalus—In dock.
Seraph—North wall.
Serapis—North wall.
Sirdar—North wall.
Sterling—North wall.
Tamar—Basin.
Verity—No. 11 buoy.
Whitehall—East wall.
Wild Swan—No. 11 buoy.
Wishart—No. 12 buoy.

Foreign Men-of-War.
Argus—French river gunboat.
Helena—American river gunboat.
Waldeck Rousseau—French cruiser.
Saga—Japanese gunboat.

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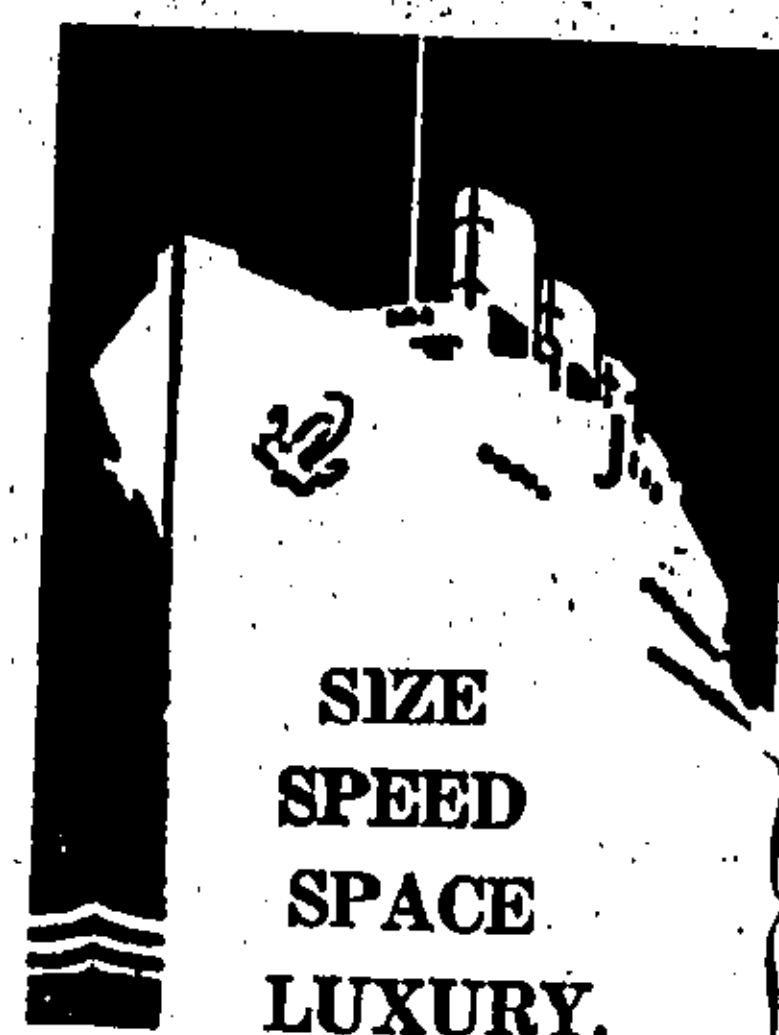
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HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12h. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

January 19 to 25, 1932.

Date	High Water	Low Water
	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.
Tues. 19	09 15 2.3 0.3 2.5	18 15 0.2 0.1 0.3
Wed. 20	09 32 2.5 0.1 2.6	19 00 0.3 1.1 2.0
Thurs. 21	09 54 2.9 0.2 3.1	19 40 7.4 1.2 8.6
Fri. 22	10 20 4.1 0.8 4.9	20 20 7.9 1.5 9.4
Sat. 23	10 44 4.4 0.8 5.2	21 05 8.3 1.4 9.7
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Emp. of Russia	Mar. 4	Mar. 7	Mar. 8	Mar. 10	Mar. 12	Mar. 31	Mar. 31
Emp. of Japan	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Apr. 3	Apr. 3
Emp. of Asia	Mar. 25	Mar. 28	Mar. 29	Mar. 31	Apr. 2	Apr. 11	Apr. 11
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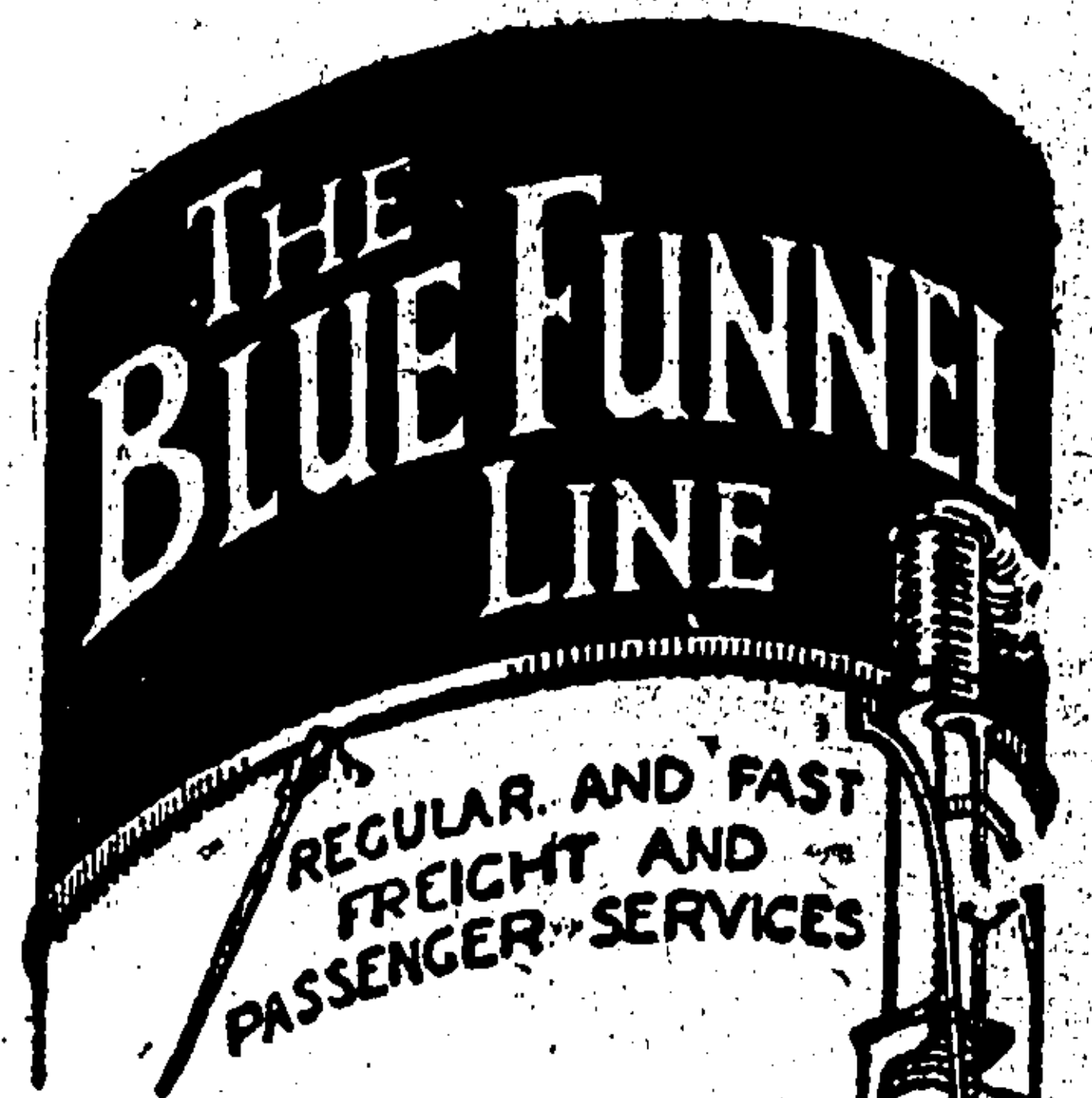
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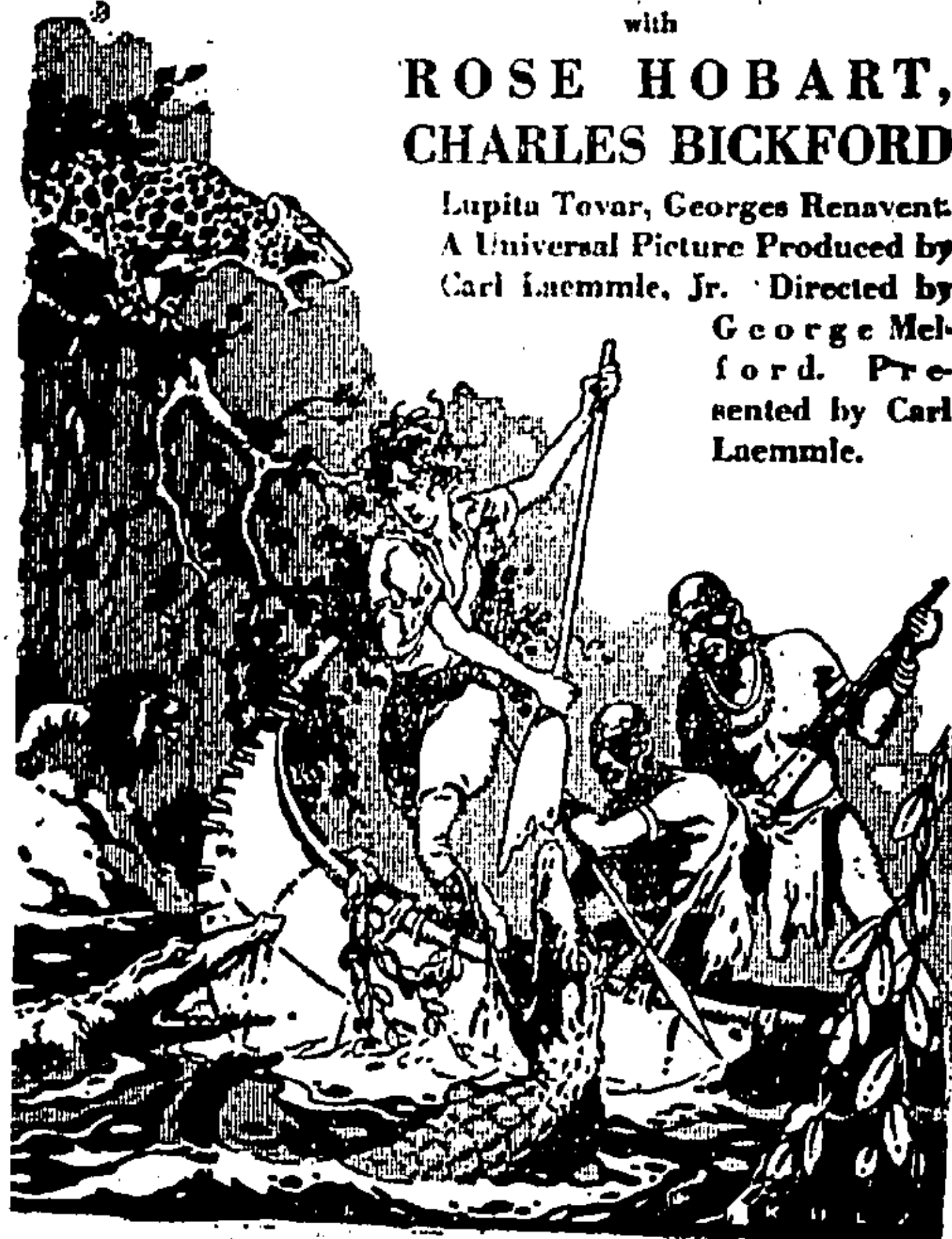
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Burma Rice.
The exportable surplus is likely to be considerably less than was expected.

M. Briand.
Sir John Simon and M. Briand have exchanged letters of appreciation and thanks in connection with the latter's retirement.

Unrest in Spain.
Socialists and Republicans have been in conflict with Traditionalists. There have been some fatalities and many casualties. A general strike is now operating in Bilbao. Six thousand textile workers have also struck work in Barcelona.

Lausanne Conference.
It is not yet known, says a French newspaper, if the Conference will be held at all, and who will represent the several Governments concerned.

Hawaii.

The Legislature held a special session yesterday to deal with the situation that has arisen recently in the islands as a consequence of assaults on women. It is probable that "rape with violence" will be made a capital offence.

Disarmament Conference.

The likely personnel of the French delegation is forecast. It will be elected to-day.

The U.S. Government has voted \$450,000 to cover the expenses of its delegation.

Siamese Embassies.

In Rome and in Berlin are to be closed down for economy reasons.

Boy Bandit Slain.

The terror of the Roumanian countryside, a 19-year-old youth, has been slain.

Birth-Control.

A Vatican journal writes strongly on the controversial subject of birth-control.

JOURNEYING TO THE MOON.

A Six-Day Trip In A Rocket Ship.

Six-day trips to the moon! This is the possibility forecasted by Professor John Q. Stewart, of Princeton University, in his new book "Science To-day."

Professor Stewart believes that within the next 100 years our descendants will be able to travel to the moon in rocket-propelled ships and that the journey will take about six days.

A vehicle for carrying men to the moon, he explains, must be designed for a speed of several miles a second and must be equipped with a power plant developing billions of kilowatts.

Full Difficulty.
The principle of the skyrocket is the only suitable one known for propelling the moon ship through empty space above the earth's atmosphere," he explains. "A lunar flight in the next few decades is definitely out of the question."

"One principal difficulty is that no known fuel yields the enormous energy required. The preparation of an adequate fuel is not matter for simple engineering development, but primarily for fundamental research in physics."

Professor Stewart estimates the cost of the rocket ship at \$400,000,000.

NOTHING IN A NAME.

The Man Who Is Called "Null Void."

"What's your name?" demanded an attendant at a Hollywood hospital when a young man applied for treatment for a dog bite.

"Null Void," answered the young man.

Rather baffled, the attendant asked him to give it again.

"Null Void"—that's my name.

Mr. Void was taken to the hospital by Constable Voy Kay Art.

YORKSHIREMEN'S SOCIETY.

Governor Re-Elected
Its President.

ANNUAL MEETING.

H.E. the Governor (Sir William Peel) was unanimously re-elected President of the Society of Yorkshiremen at the first annual meeting of the Society over which he presided yesterday in the Board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Supporting His Excellency were Messrs. J. Scott Harston (Vice-President), J. H. Bottomley, J. H. Shaw, J. G. Meyer (Hon. Secretary), E. W. Coulson (Hon. Treasurer), and H. H. H. Priestley (Hon. Auditor).

In his speech proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, Sir William Peel commented appreciatively on the success of last year's cabaret dinner-dance. The membership, he said, had certainly exceeded any number he had figured or which most other people had figured, and there was no doubt that the Society had enjoyed a good start. In this connection he congratulated Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mr. Meyer, and Mr. Coulson for all they had done in starting the Society in a successful way.

The balance sheet, Sir William said, could be regarded on the whole as satisfactory although, unfortunately, there was a debit balance. When they considered the loss on the dinner dance, they would agree with him that the financial position could be regarded as quite satisfactory. In conclusion H.E. mentioned that the Hon. Treasurer hoped that all subscriptions would be paid as soon as possible.

The report and accounts were adopted on the motion being seconded by Mr. Bottomley.

Officers Elected.

Sir William's re-election as President was carried on the proposal of Mr. J. Scott Harston, seconded by Mr. G. H. Potts.

The other officers elected were:

British Girl's Feat.

Miss Bingham, a young Surrey girl, has climbed alone to within 2,000 feet of the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro, which is Africa's highest mountain—19,720 feet.

U.S. and Gold.

A high U.S. banking authority expresses the opinion that his country is not at all likely to abandon the gold standard.

British Air Service.

A regular weekly service between England and South Africa is projected. Trial trips are to start at once. London and Cape Town will thus be brought within 9 days of each other.

India.

Reports from India of the situation are more reassuring. It seems that the Government of India's action in dealing with agitators is bearing fruit, and a happier and more promising state of affairs is said to exist, more or less, throughout the country.

DANCER'S SHOE FLIES OFF.

And Nearly Hits The President Of Finland.

First-nighters at a production in Helsinki of "White Horse Inn" saw one of the shoes of the leading lady fly off her foot and hurtle towards the box in which the President of Finland was sitting.

The leading lady, Miss Nanny Westerlund, was executing a pirouette at the time, and her shoe landed in the lap of an imposing official sitting next to the President.

The President courteously saw that the little shoe was returned to the stage, and when Miss Westerlund received it the audience broke into cheers.

Vice-President, Mr. J. Scott Harston; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. G. Meyer; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. Leach; Committee, Mrs. Dyer, Mr. J. H. Bottomley and Mr. J. H. Shaw. Hon. Auditor, Mr. H. H. H. Priestley.

The meeting then discussed the question of organising another function on the lines of last year's cabaret dance and Mr. Gibson said that he was one of those who had finished with dancing, and he thought that they should get away from a function like that of last year. They could always have dinners and what he would suggest was the arranging of an evening such as they enjoyed in Yorkshire.

Sir William: You suggest the members should sit round, have a sing-song, and smoke and so on?

Mr. A. R. Brown gave as his opinion that for an annual function they wanted something more than what was suggested by Mr. Gibson. In view of the success of last year's cabaret dance, he thought it should be repeated. Mr. Gibson's suggestion could be acted upon for other occasions, and might be held once every three months. He also suggested that the well-known Yorkshire song "On Ilka Moor" should be made a more concerted item.

When the proposals were referred to the meeting, it was decided to hold a cabaret dinner-dance this year.

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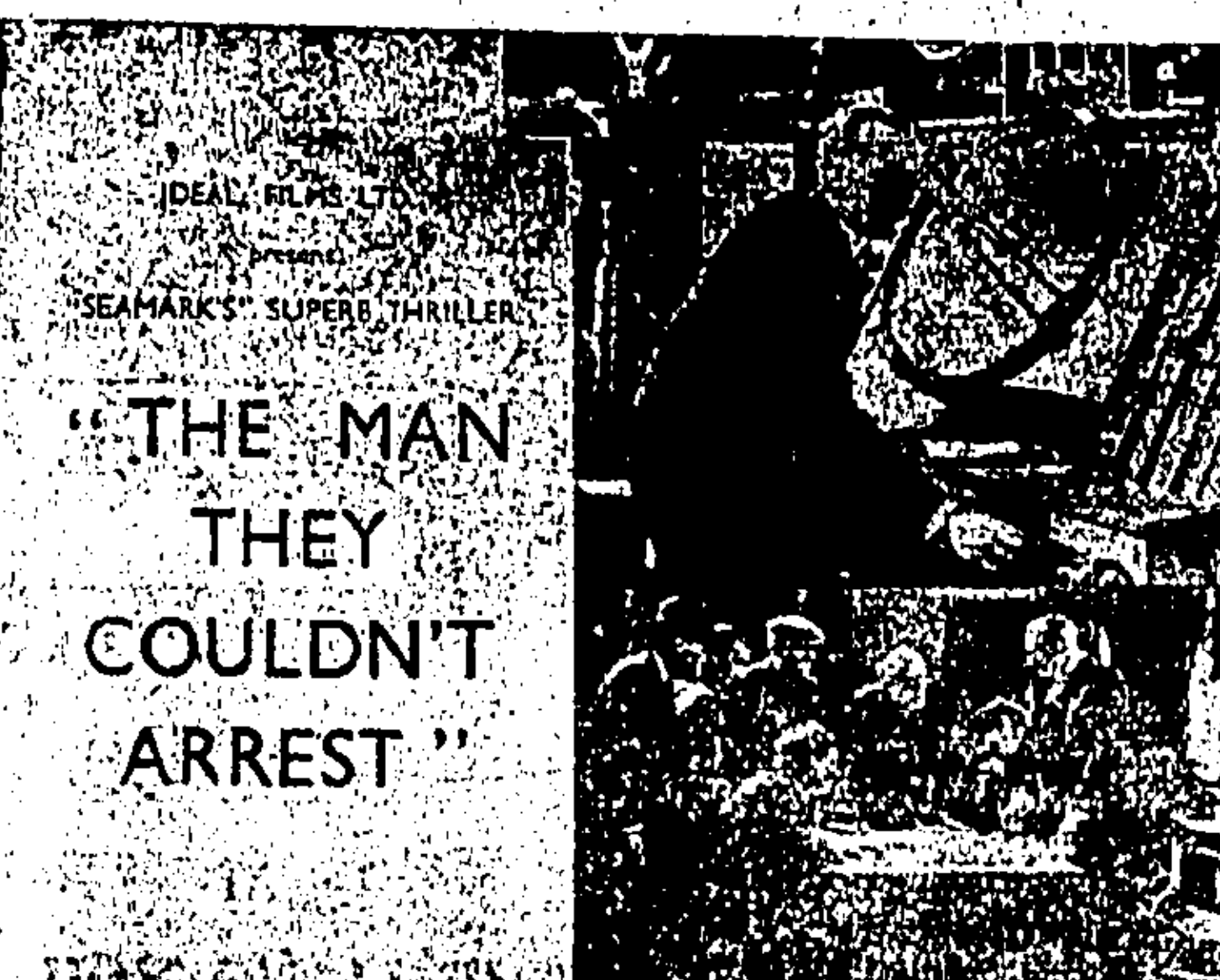


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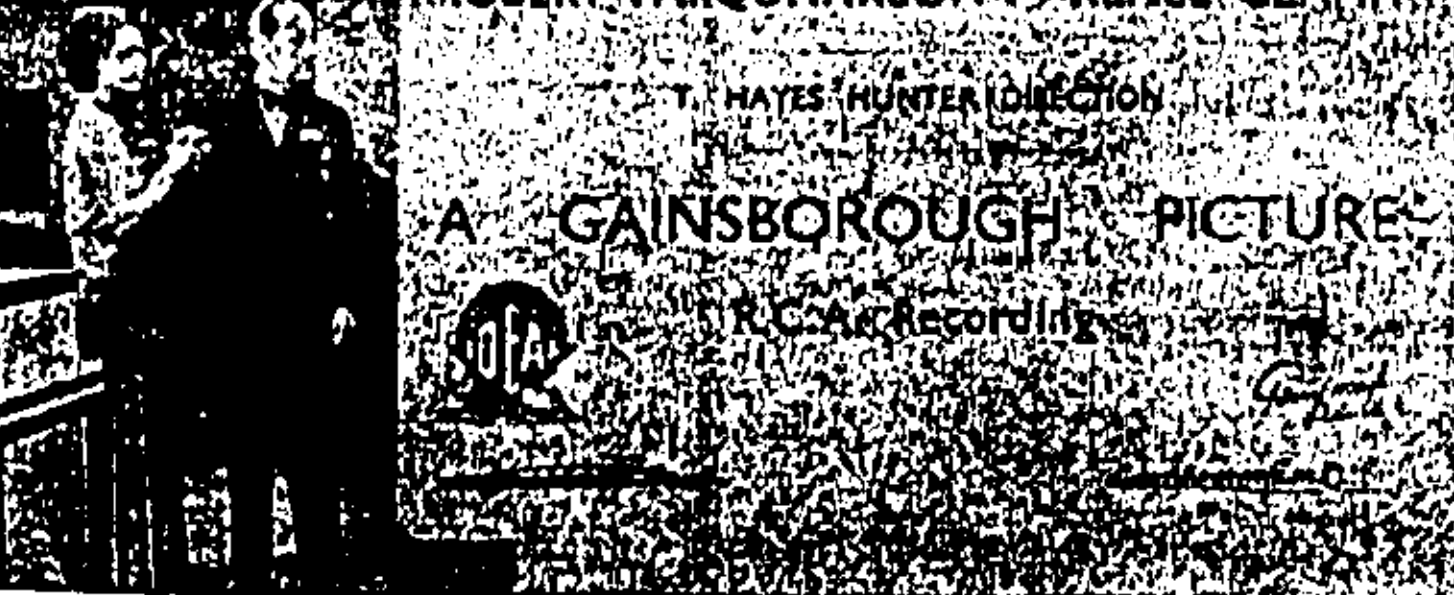
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